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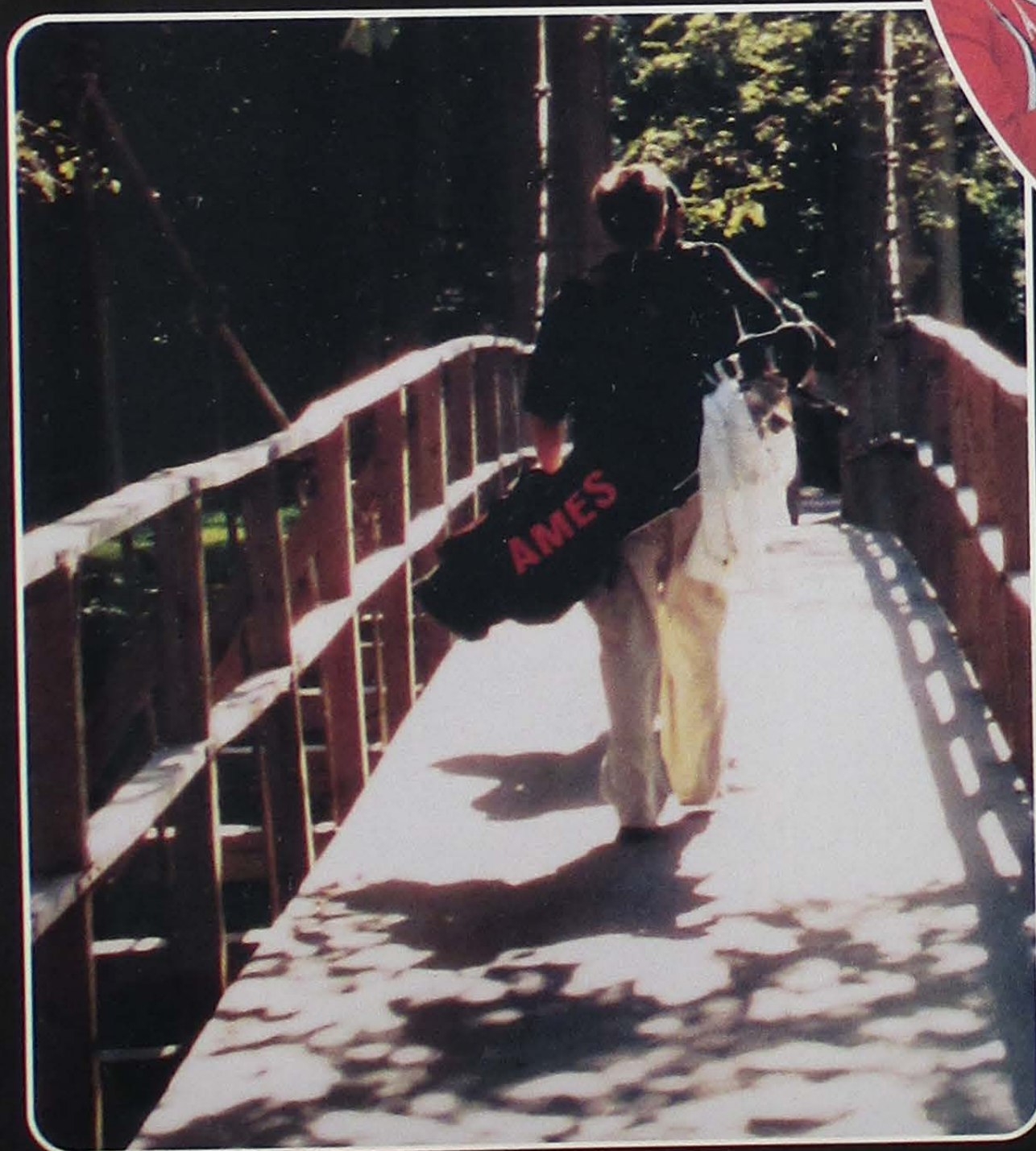
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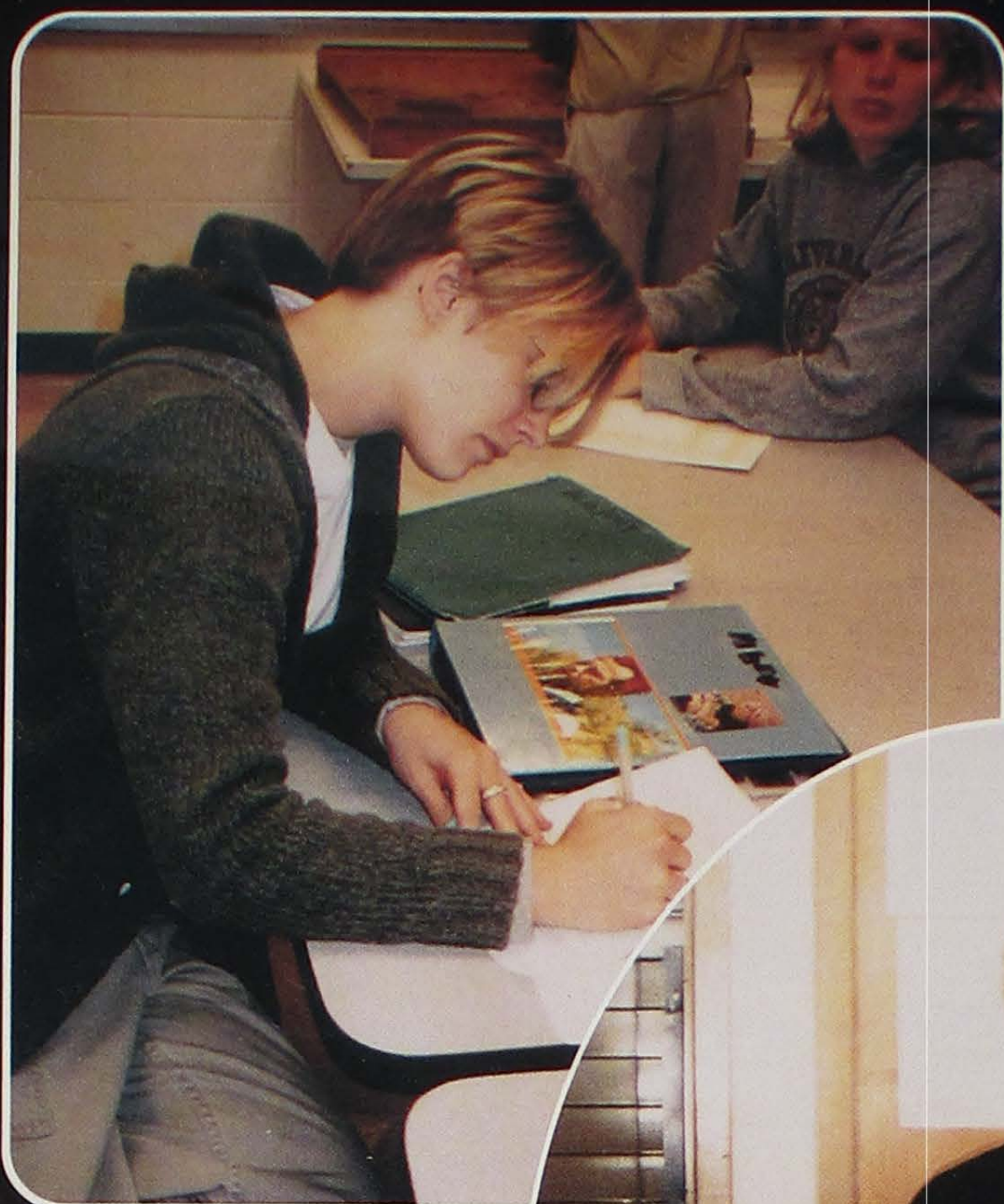
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Working hard to finish a final art project, junior **Laura Jonas** is proud of her accomplishment. (photo by Rita Carter)



Math teacher **Marilyn Hanson** displays her school spirit by wearing senior **Jeff Calentine's** jersey. Football players had a long tradition of lending their jerseys to friends and even teachers in support of the football team. (photo by Julie Prindle)

Junior **Megan Morrow** takes a moment after her varsity basketball game to be interviewed by a local radio station. Morrow was excited to discuss the teams' victory over Urbandale. (photo by Amy Chung)



"The time has come," the Walrus said," to talk of many things . . ."

-Lewis Carroll

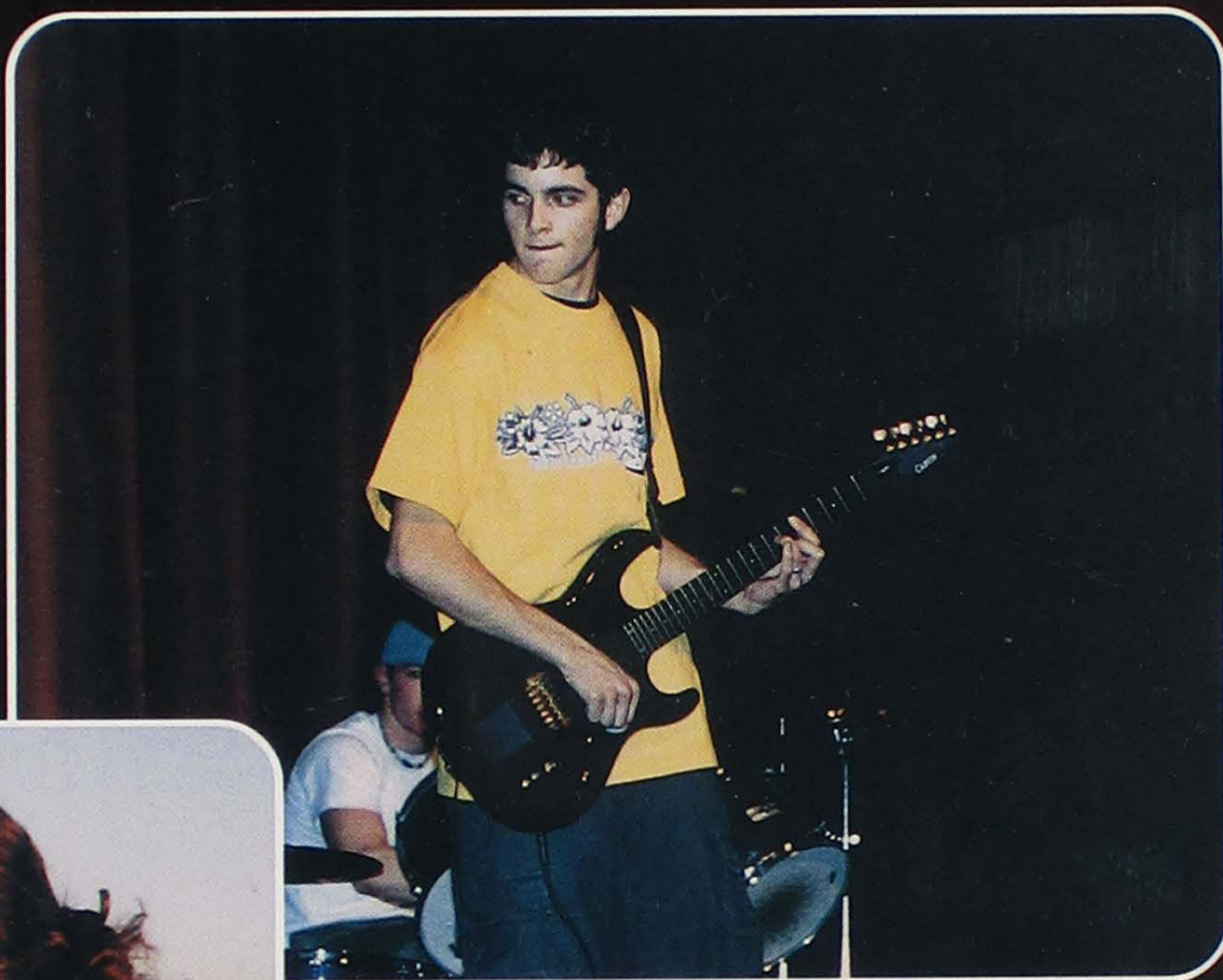
. . . the things of the past, the things of our lives, of our dreams and aspirations, disappointments and failures. The dream of the yearbook staff is to tell the tales of each of our lives, story by story and person by person. For this reason we have again used the week-by-week format to capture our experience. Every day of the school year we enter the building knowing it's our place, it's our turn . . .

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Opening for
Nate Staniforth's
night of magic,
junior **Fabian De
Kok** rocks the sold
out auditorium with
his band. (photo
by Amy Chung)



Senior
cross country
members **Betsy
Deardorff, Lindsay
Burhenn** and **Shelly
Vance** link arms in support
and good humor after their
race. (photo by Beth
Peterson)

"With thee conversing I forget all time."

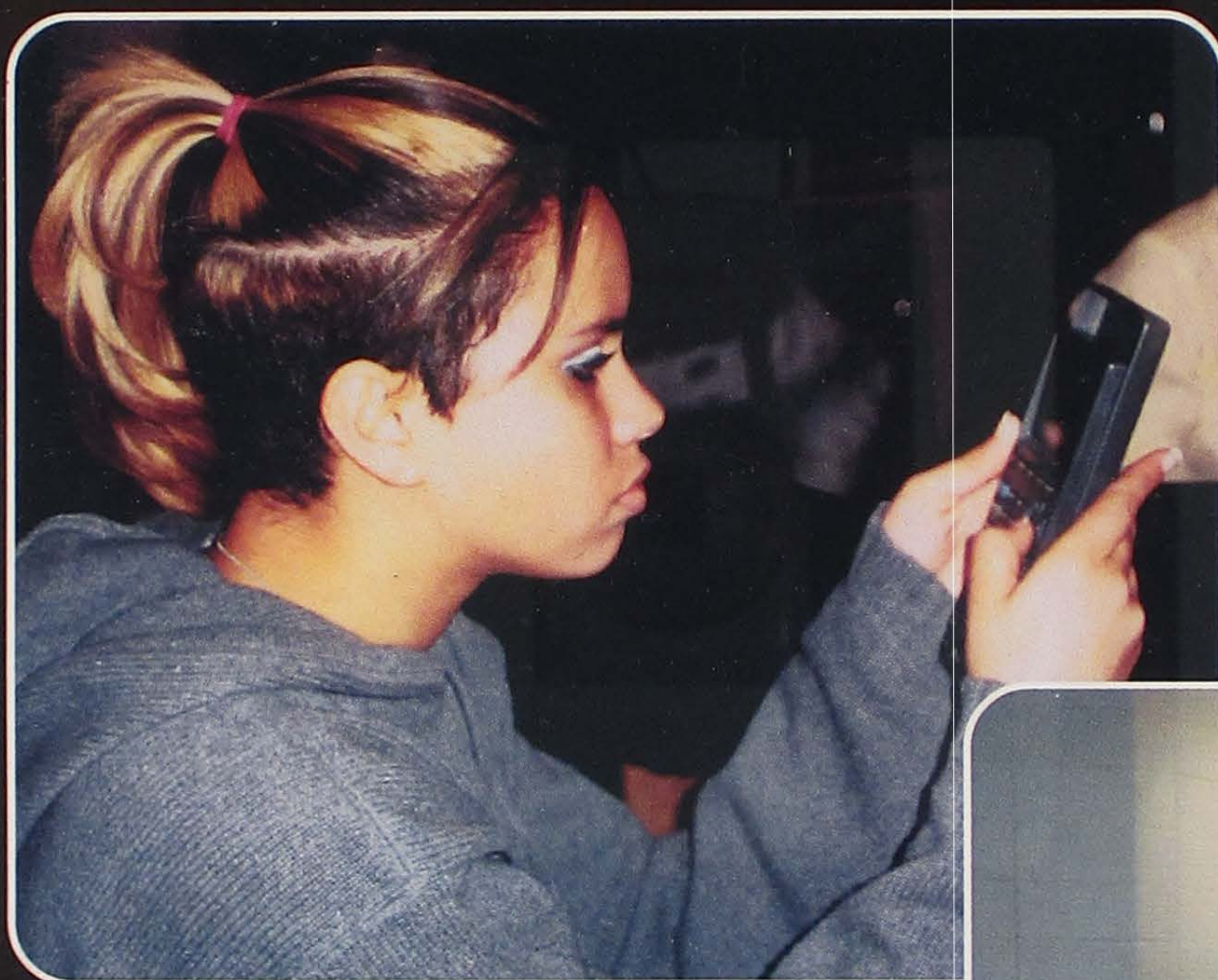
-John Milton

... But who did we converse with? As minute by minute passed, we filled up our time with sports, clubs, committees and friends. We put behind us one more laugh and one more cry. New security systems, a boys' drill team and Unity Day added to the usual monotony of the school year. Reflections on thoughts, ideas and feelings are what marked our time. It is therefore necessary for us to remember ...

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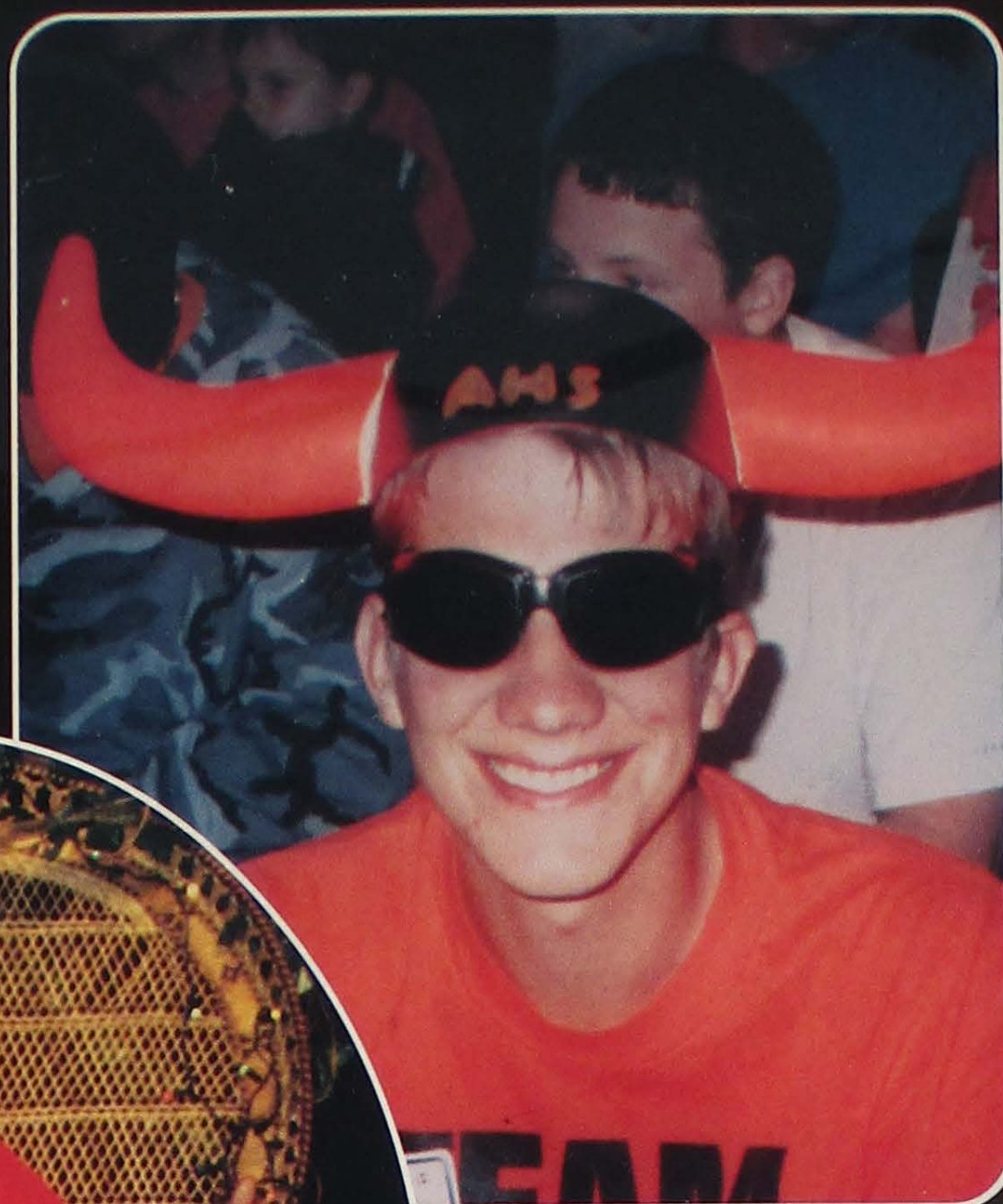


And who said games weren't allowed in school? Senior **Amy Colony** doesn't even hide her addiction to Tetris. (photo by Esther Kindred)

There was no telling how many different ways there was to give money during Winter Madness. Senior **Dylan Martinez** thought he'd add just one more option to the list. (photo by Amy Chung)



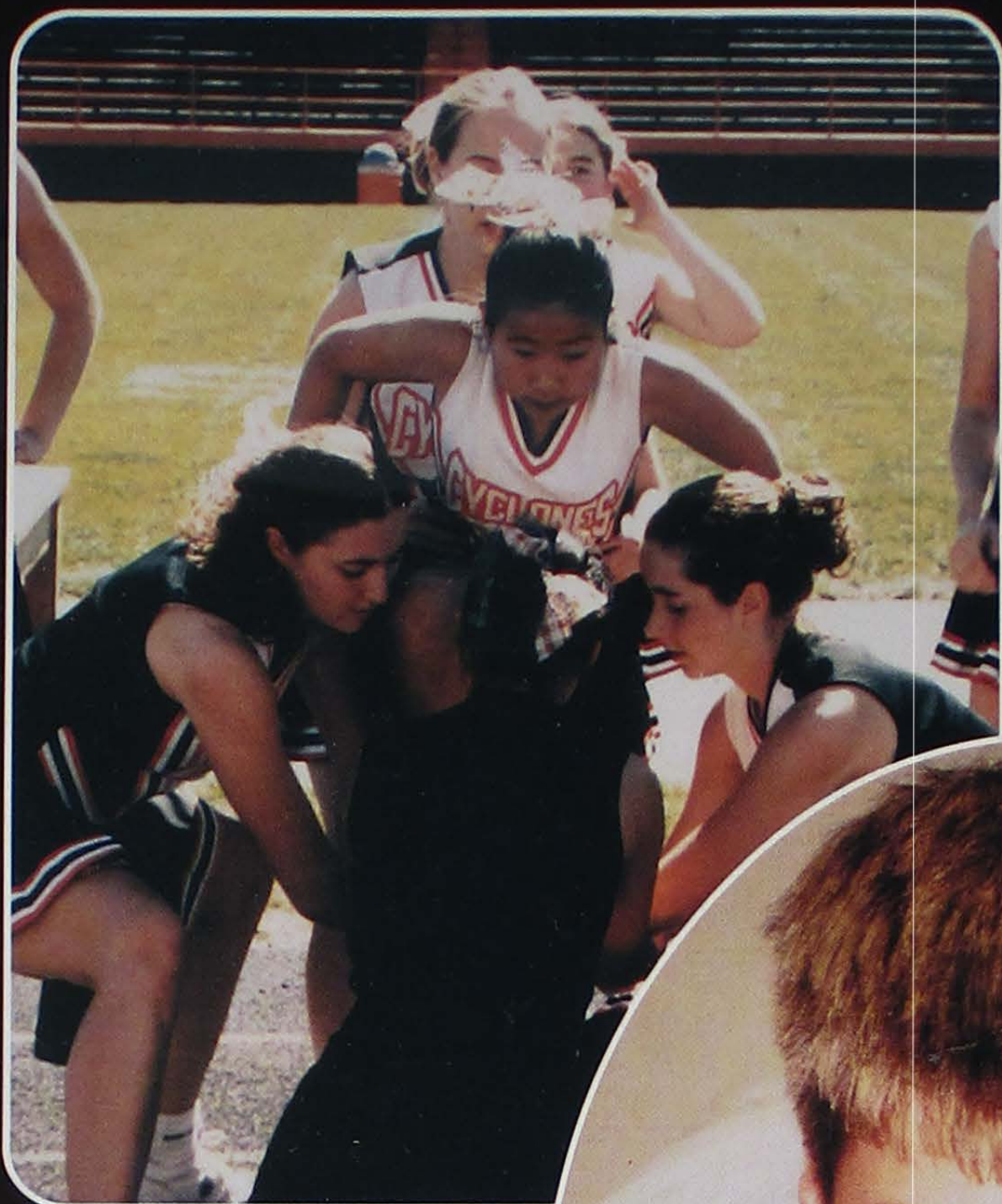
Only junior **Travis Knapp** could accept a date from senior **Jonathan Hoyt** (dressed as a gal) with such class during the Winter Madness Singled Out show. (phot by Lauren Ledet)



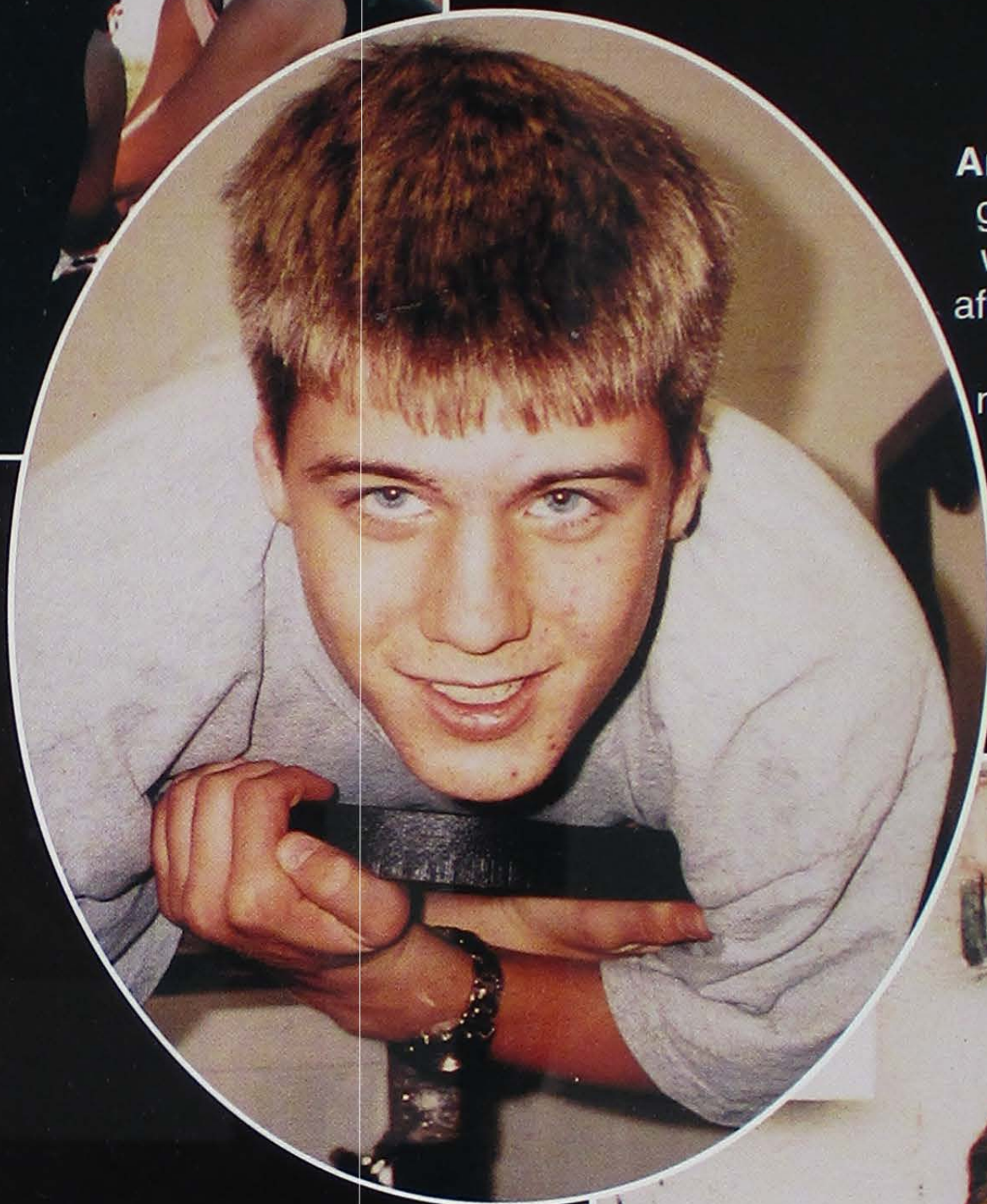
Yes, his name is **Chip Wandling**, and yes, he is tall. He was also ready to fight until the end for his varsity football teams' victory. (photo by Rita Carter)



Everyone who helped decorate for homecoming including senior **Dawn Sutherland's** was happy with the results. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



The crowd at the Fall sports kickoff was not interested until senior **Oun Platt** was launched by her teammates. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Man of Steel? Sophomore **Andy Jordon** gets in some weight-lifting after school in the new Fitness Center. (photo by Julie Prindle)

Everyone's got style, but even better, senior **Julie Coy** knew how to make a style statement. (photo by Rita Carter)



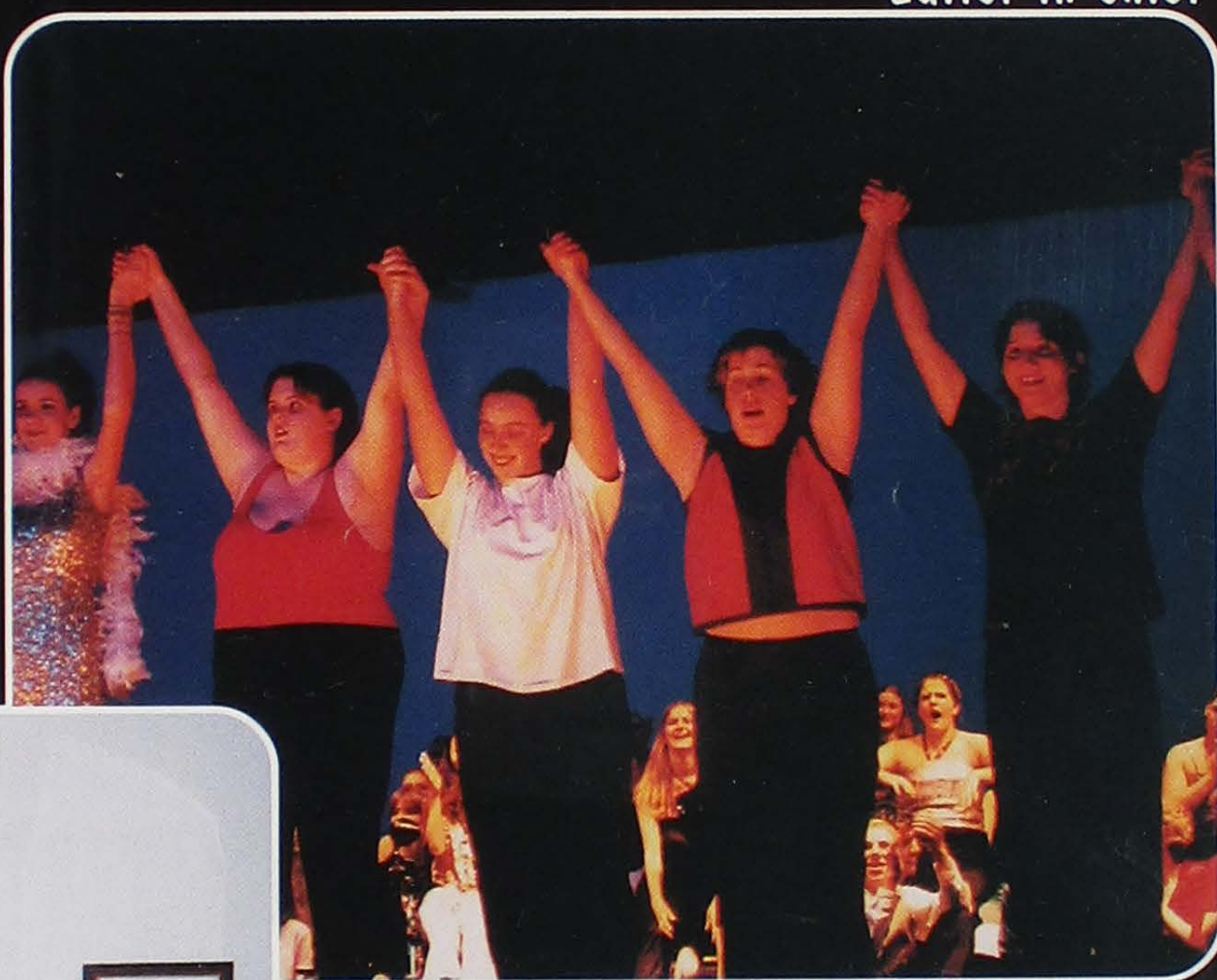
"To everything there is a season. A time to every purpose . . ." -Ecclesiastes

. . . the seasons tell our story as time wastes away. Inhaling the fresh air at the beginning of the year as you ran the dreaded loop, started the new club, saw the first play and read your first *Web*. Soon the leaves change and fall as the football games started. You dance the night away at Homecoming while standardized tests added even more pressure. The first half inch of snow brought finals and winter break as the year became half over. Terpsichore, musical concerts and fine arts week brought us culture in the middle of the frozen season. Soon, the spring blossomed and school became never-ending as we awaited the end of school . . .

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Terpsichore was successful because of its student choreographers who made each dance and still-life imaginative.
(photo by Jen Alexander)



After falling in love with the new year, seniors **Shawn Sebastian** and **Nathaniel Pleasants** wrote a song in its honor, complete with a real Latin beat.
(photo by Melissa Heer)



"Meanwhile time is flying-flying never to return."

-Virgil

... time will never return. There will never be another time just for us. Wherever students are on their journey, the memories we made and the friends we have met have impacted our lives. As the doors of the school close for the last time, the sands of our time suddenly run out for seniors and another stage in their lives continues whether they want to leave or not. As we left, we remembered wherever we chose to go we can make sure we spend our time in places of fond memories with people we care for. . .

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Sophomore Teresa Horton and juniors Alexandra Sibley-Rundle and Mona Dilal dance in "M*A*S*H," a speech club one-act. "It was really fun seeing my brother do something besides football," senior Gina Russell said. (photo by Amy Chung)

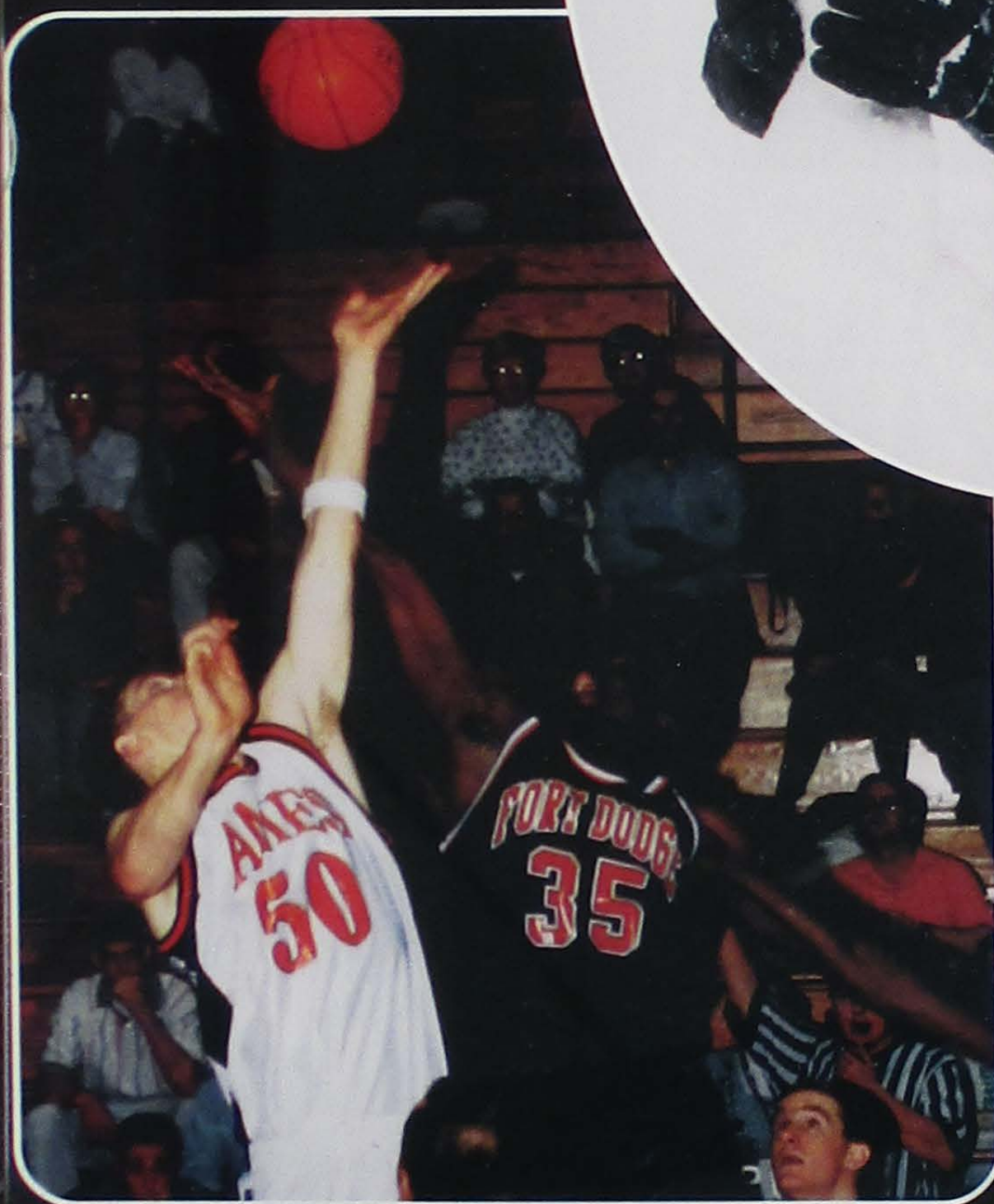
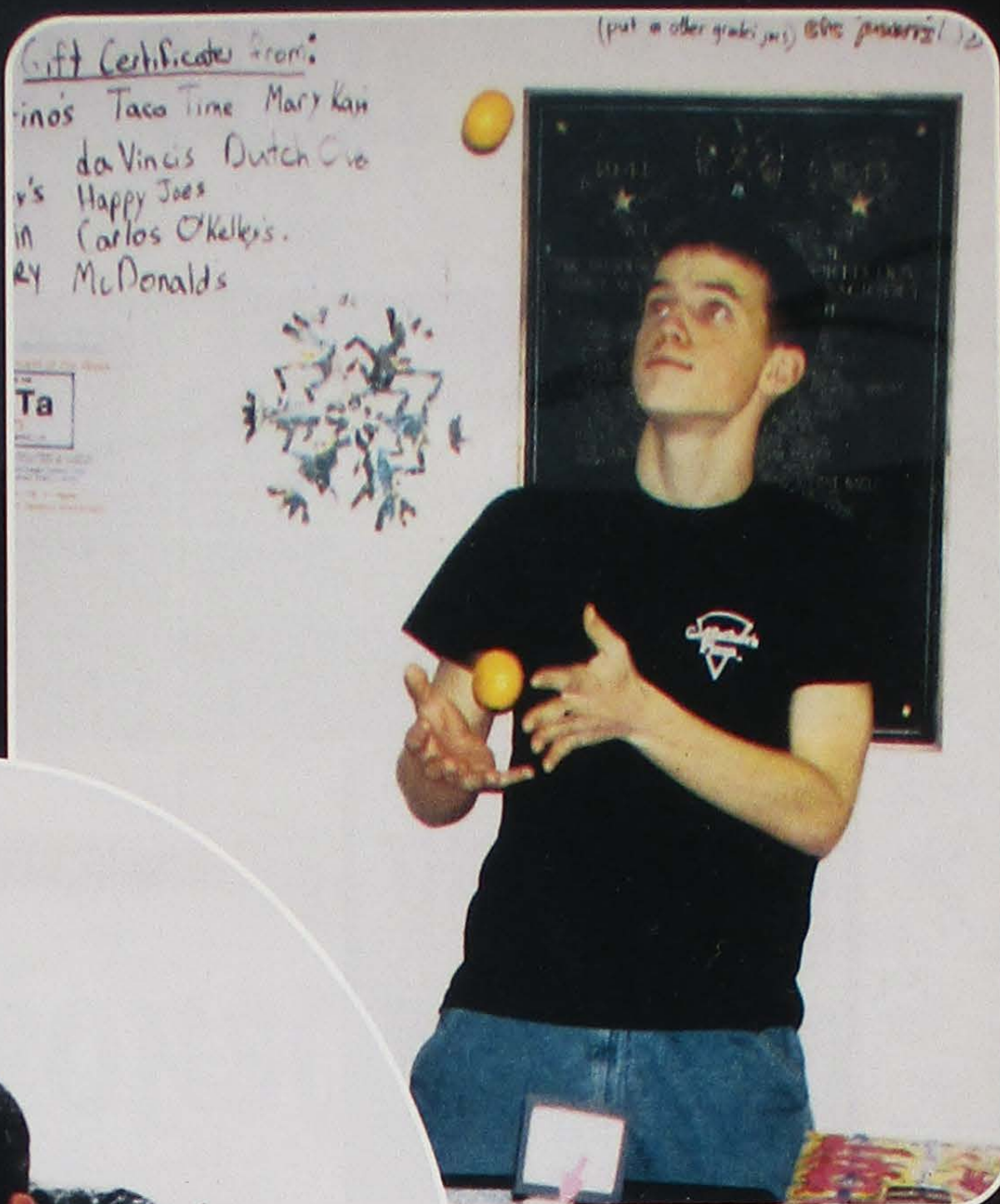
Drumline members juniors Philip Balvanz, Lin Ong and senior Alec Otteman find a creative way to be just a little off-beat. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Small and dainty snowflakes made a winter wonderland for junior **Karl Hauber** to fashion his own Frosty. (photo by Julie Prindle)



No one could underestimate the talent of senior **Patrick Finn** in juggling not three, but two clementines. (photo by Amy Chung)



Fort Dodge was not a challenge for sophomore **Tim Stoops**. (photo by Amy Chung)

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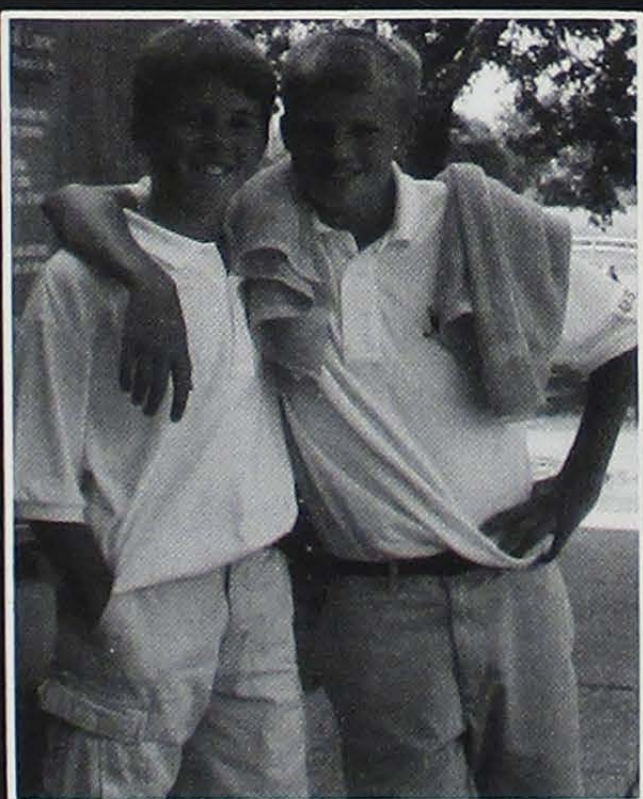
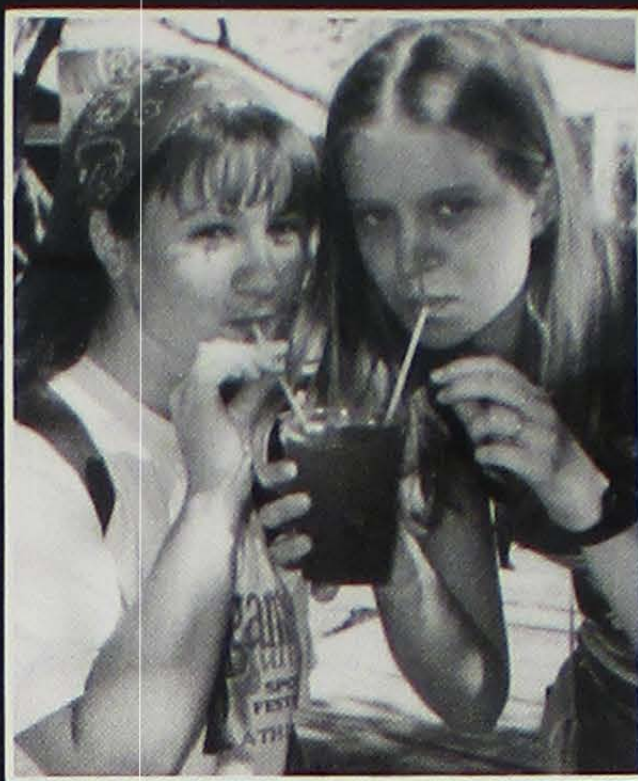
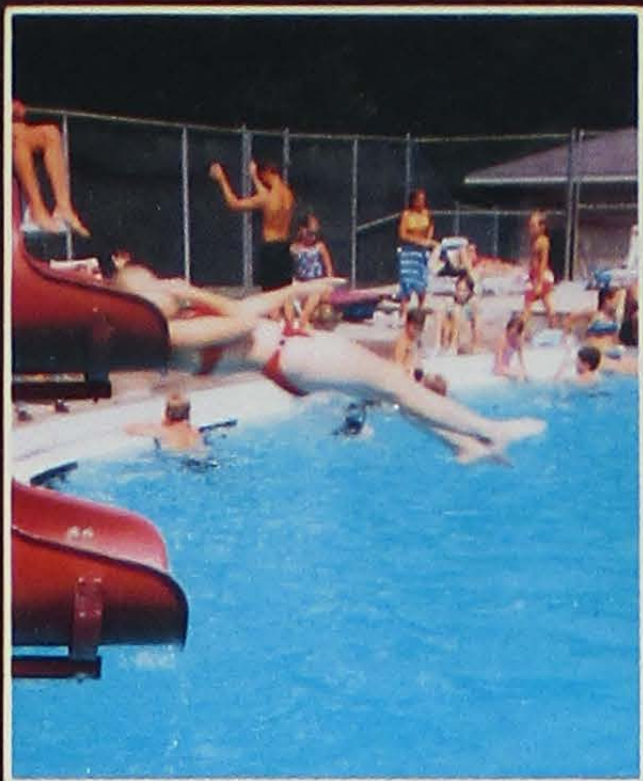
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Summer



Down Time

Bunnies hop
Children play
Time needs to stop
And stay today

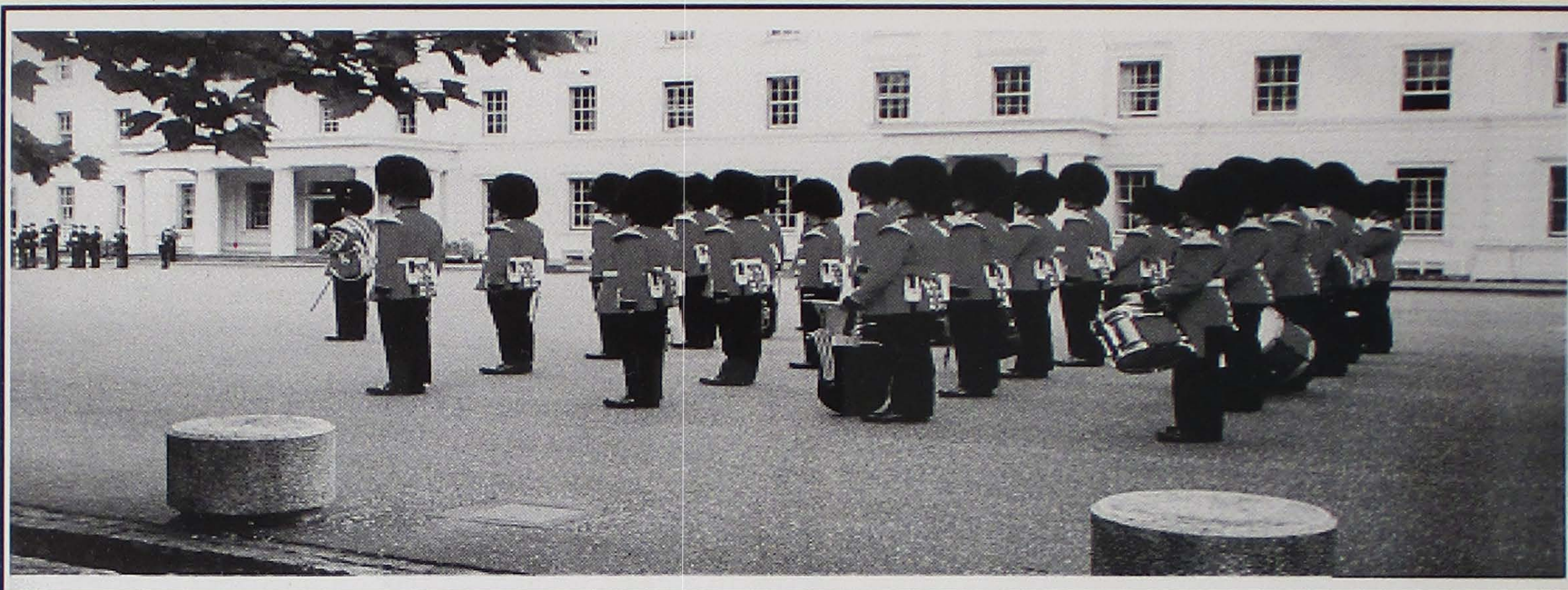
The sun is bright
And I'm so happy
I'll wear my sandals tonight
And you here with me

We'll go to the park
Lie on the ground
Wait 'til dark
Sit safe and sound

But not quite yet
The time has not come
So right now I'll just sit
Twiddling my thumbs.

-senior Niki Wierson

June



Hi Ho, Hi Ho, it's off to change the guard we go, with a rat-tat-tat and a step-step-step. Hi Ho, Hi Ho, Hi Ho, Hi Ho. Students look on as the royal band prepares to play for the ceremony of the changing of the guard in front of Buckingham Palace, London.

"It was neat seeing the changing of the guard, but it wasn't as big of a production as I was expecting it to be," senior **Jenna White** said. London was one of many stops on the annual Europe trip. (photo courtesy of Christine Benson)



The girls' sophomore softball team plans the rest of the season huddled around the coaches in right field. The sophomore season ended with 23 wins, 10 losses and one tie. "Our team was able

to use the friendships within the squad to concentrate on our season," sophomore **Carrie Sampson** said. Sampson lead the team as captain with teammate **Krystal Myers**. (photo courtesy of M. Owen)



Sophomore **Melisse Owen** grabs the ball in time to keep Newton from another hit. Catcher and pitcher communication

was important in making a successful inning, as was support from the infield and outfield. (photo courtesy of Owen)

14 June

June



Junior **Alison Buck** receives helpful encouragement from golf coach **Bob Heiberger** before her round at state competitions. "It was a wonderful experience

to go as a sophomore, but I wish my team had been there with me. Next year our goal should be to get everyone to state," Buck said. (photo courtesy of Buck)



Sophomores **Melisse Owen** and **Jill Nelson** help celebrate at Erin Wiederholt's surprise going away party. A water fight took place and ended up in a battle between the sexes. The party unwound with dancing. "It was really hard to let her go

because we had been friends for so long," **Krystal Myers** said. Wiederholt had attended Ames High but moved to Algona this summer. The hardest part about moving was saying good-bye to friends. (photo courtesy of Owen)

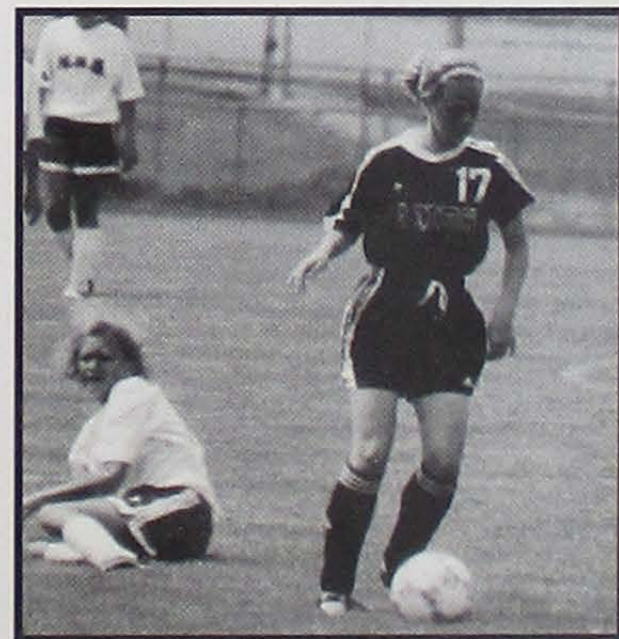


Ames High graduate **Carianne Bouillon** and seniors **Lindsay Pohlman**, **Jamie Siefert**, **Christine Kracher**, **Jill Hamilton**, **Maya Anderson**, and **Jenna White** sit on the lion in

London, England at Trafalgar Square. "London had so many different types of people. They were interesting to watch," Hamilton said. (photo courtesy of Jamie Siefert)



Senior **Oun Platt** gives junior **Annie Fanous** a piggy back ride while waiting for the bus to take them to the girls' soccer game. (photo courtesy of Bri Staff)



Junior **Bri Staff** dribbles past a fallen Newton player. Leadership on the team was summed up by the quote, "A leader is one who knows the way, goes the way, and shows the way." (photo courtesy of Bri Staff)

July



Not everybody had to leave Ames this summer to have a good time. Juniors **Leslie Westgate**, **Amy Chung**, **Jamie Colbert** and **Erica Lynn** kicked back and relaxed in Brookside Park. They spent

the day grilling out and playing sand volleyball. With the summer winding down they were taking advantage of every nice day that came along. (photo courtesy of Amy Chung)



Freshman **Allison Burke** and junior **Amanda Burke**, along with Amanda's boyfriend Austin Lepper, spent an afternoon riding "The Big Banana" on Lake Okoboji while on their family vacation. "My dad drives us wild as he can trying to throw us off. It's awe-

some when we hit the wake of other boats. I think we might have spent more time getting back on the banana than actually riding it," Allison said. "We spent everyday out on the lake, even the days that it rained," Amanda said. (photo courtesy of Amanda Burke)



A "school" of dedicated Phish fans toured the midwest over the summer. One of their stops was at the Alpine Valley Amphitheatre in East Troy, WI. Senior **Ben Wendel** and

junior **Marcus "Marker" Mitchell**, along with several friends, traveled many miles all in the name of Phish. Phish or bust. (photo courtesy of Ben Wendel)



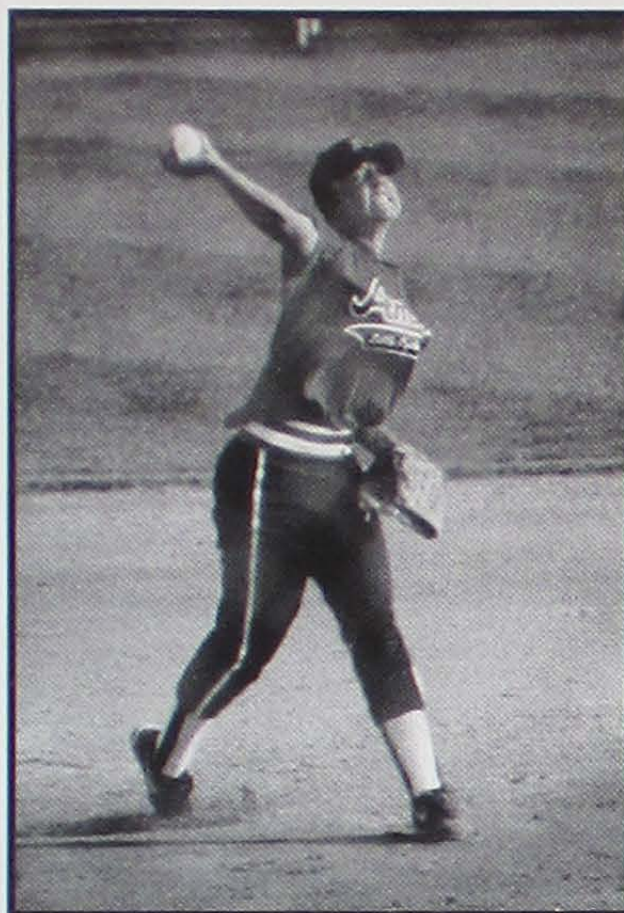
Sophomores **Ian Ritz**, **Andy Laczniak**, **Erin McCuskey** and seniors **Melissa Heer**, **Liz Vogel** and **Shawn Sebastian** take a break from their worksite in Appalachia to discuss the newest techniques in roofing and siding.

Many different groups worked on service projects for families throughout the summer. The groups traveled to places such as Harlan, Kentucky, and Mexico. (photo courtesy of Melissa Heer)

July



Senior girls **Samantha Dorr** and **Bridget Rhodes** take a break from their whirlwind tour of Europe to pose in front of the Eiffel tower. Dorr and Rhodes took part in the Europe trip. (photo courtesy of Samantha Dorr)



Senior **Beth Peterson** whips the ball to first, making the third out against Valley to end the inning. "It was a great game, we won in the bottom of the seventh on a wild pitch. It was sweet!" Peterson said. (photo by Lindsay VanFleet)



The varsity softball team gets pumped up before their game in the Roland-Story tournament. "We played really well together during this tournament, and it

showed. Our hard work paid off, and we got second place. It was very rewarding," senior **Betsy Deardorff** said. (photo courtesy of Beth Peterson)

What was your best summer memory?

compiled by Lindsay VanFleet

"I would have to say either backpacking in Vermont and staying in New England, or spending a week being a volunteer with the Appalachia Service Project."

senior **Giles Slocum**

"Watching the sun set over the Grand Canyon. It was absolutely breathtaking."

senior **Anna Blaedel**

"We drove up to Eldora and went canoeing for a whole day once. The lake was about ten feet wide. We just went around in circles."

juniors **Lisa Corley** and **Mara Wendel**

"When I watched Mark McGwire hit his 496th homerun."

sophomore **Bryan Shelton**

"Going to Mexico with my youth group and spitting toothpaste out the window."

sophomore **Mandi Crawford**

"To be able to do nothing and not feel guilty about it."

freshman **Ben Cheney**

"Having no homework and sleeping in as late as I wanted."

freshman **Jenna Carr**

August

SUNDAY

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MONDAY

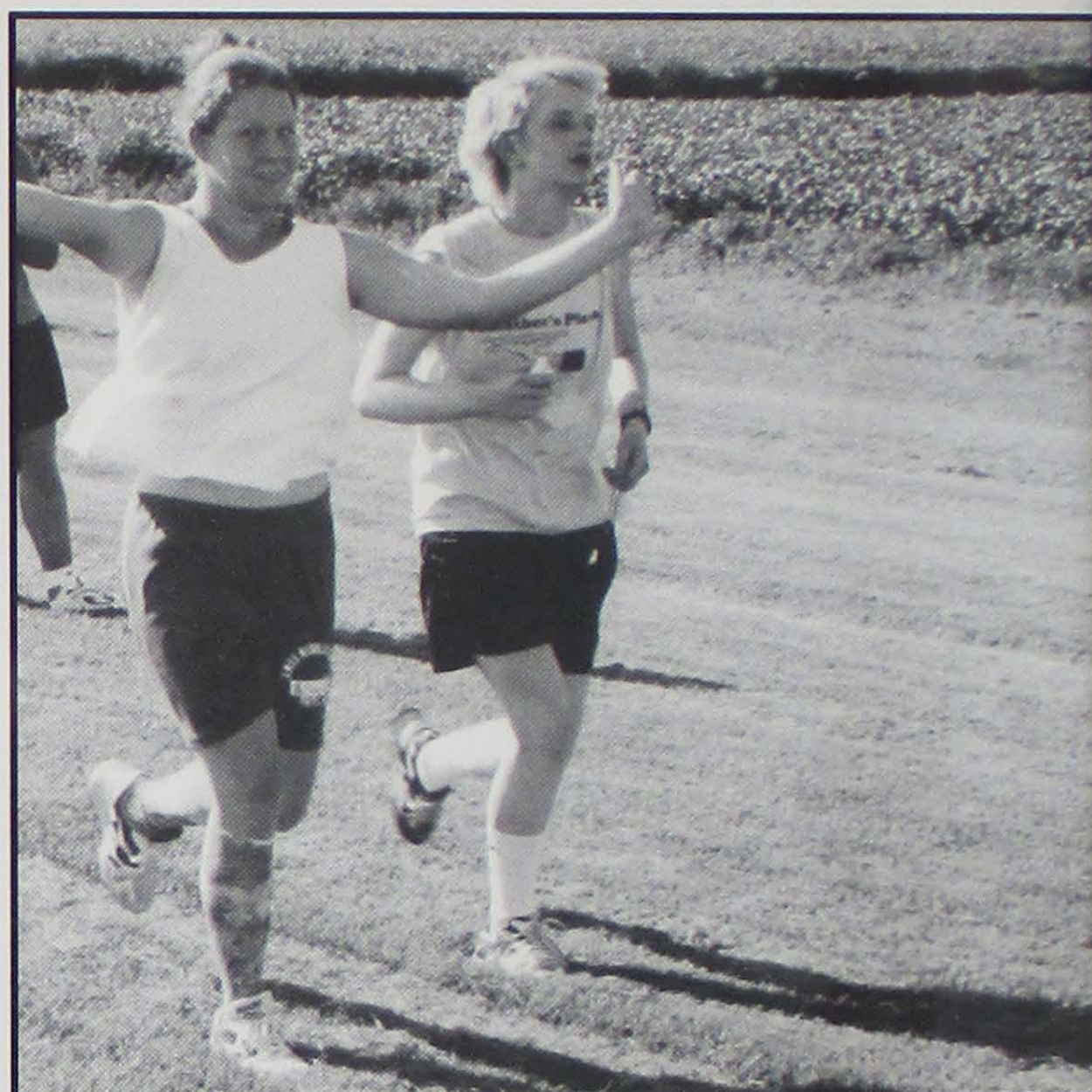
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B/GF @ Johnston 3:30pm
WWF @ Hilton Colliseum

TUESDAY

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B/GF @ Marshalltown
3:30pm

One thing different for all students, old and new, was the increased security. In response to last year's bomb threats, students were only allowed to enter and exit the building through the main entrance, which was guarded by hall monitors and the occasional police officer. Whether coming or going, all were met with the familiar phrase, "Schedule and ID," from hall monitor **Beverly Best**, known to most students simply as "Bev." "They'll try anything," Best said. (photo by Amanda Burke)



Juniors **Mattea Wayne** and **Rachel Smelser** celebrate just before finishing the girls' cross country trial run Friday. Both the girls' and boys' teams had their time trial for team spots. The results

gave a good indication of what needed to be accomplished before the start of the season. It was a tough run that afternoon in the heat, and all were relieved when it was over. (photo by Rita Carter)



A new school year meant a new band room and added construction noise for returning students and staff. "It has been crazy not being in a room this fall, but I know that the

new space will be well worth the madness we are going through right now," band director **Chris Ewan** said. (photo by Rita Carter)



Many freshmen enjoy watching the fall sports kick-off for the first time. This annual event was a special opportunity for all athletes involved in a fall sport to

be introduced to their fellow students, families and friends. Those who took part in sports were given special recognition for their participation. (photo by Lauren Ledet)

18 August 22-28

WEDNESDAY**25****THURSDAY****26****FRIDAY****27**
Fall Kick Off 6pm**SATURDAY****28**
Senior Girls' Club Car
Wash 11am-3pm

FIRST THINGS FIRST: Students battle day one

by Melissa Heer

Imagine yourself lost in a maze of unfamiliar faces and towering cement walls. Your only guide through this madness is a sheet of paper shaking in your sweat-saturated hands. This would not be too far from reality if you were a new student on the first day of school.

"It was scary seeing all of these new people. It felt like being a freshman again. When I said 'excuse me' people would just give me weird looks," new student junior **Mona Dalal** said.

Comparing this experience to freshman year was very accurate. Most freshmen admitted the first day of school felt like a safari.

"I got lost like five times," freshman **Justin Dedecker** said. Despite all of the anxiety, there were still positives involved in the transition to the high school.

"Other than getting lost it was all right. It was so much better than middle school," Dedecker continued. "There is a really big difference in attitude between middle school and high school students. High school students are much more mature. I also like the high school teachers a lot better."

For seniors the first day of school was like playing an old game.

"I felt a lot bigger and more privileged, but then I realized it was just a bunch of hype," senior **Matt Zimmerman** said.

It seemed each year the same things changed, even for someone who had been in the school since 1989. "Every year I am amazed at how young the freshmen look. I have more keys but can open less doors," teacher **Bob Uetz** laughed.

Although seniors repeated the same rituals they had done for years, a pat on the back definitely belonged to any newcomer that survived the nerve-racking first day.



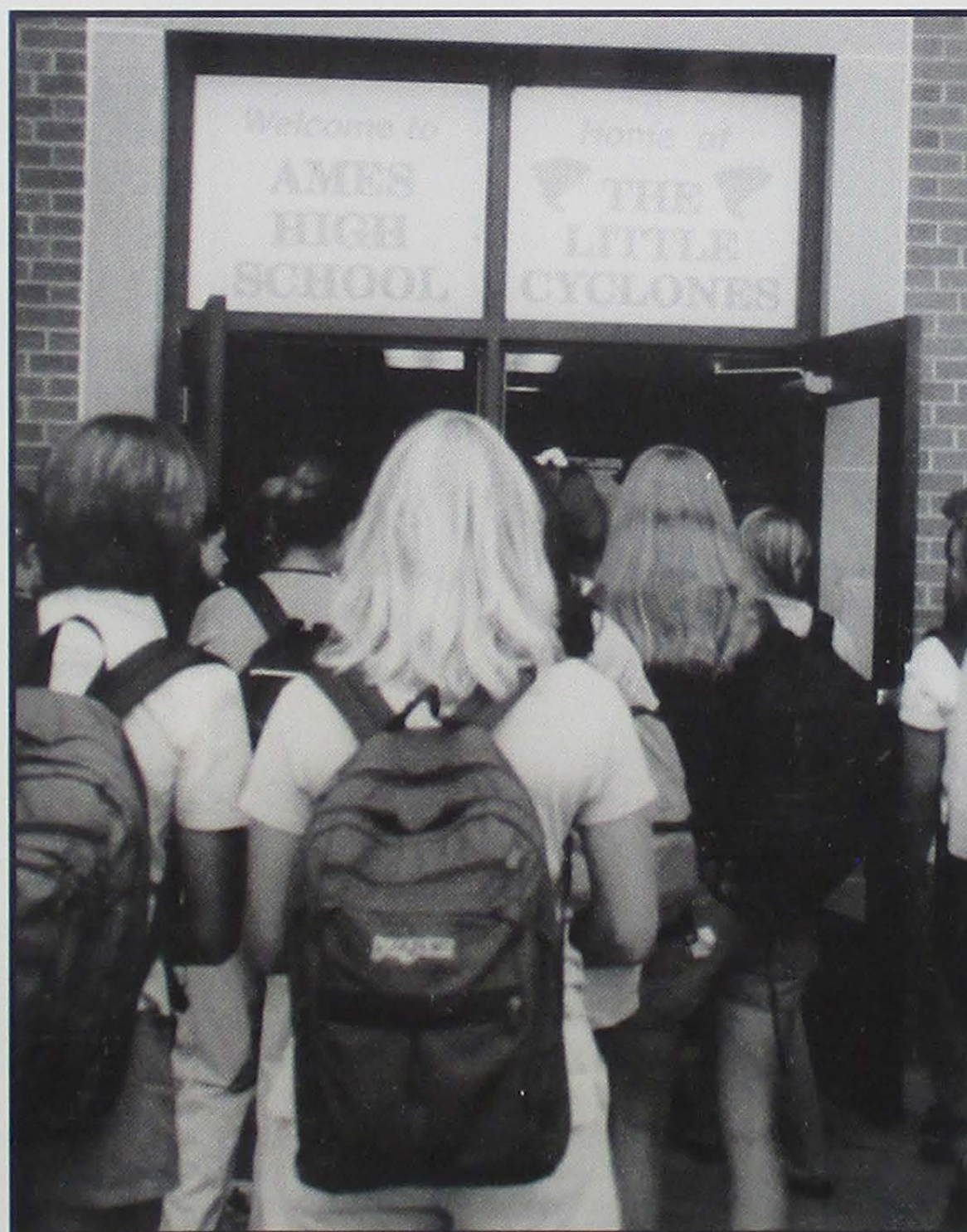
For many, the first day of school was a new experience. For others, it was an event they had been through before. "It's hilar-

ous," junior **Becky Heller** said. "It's hard to believe that we were like that two years ago." (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Junior swimmers **Anna Duple** and **Brynna Dieter** show their pride while attending the annual fall sports kick-off Friday night. The kick-off was a good way for

students to see who was involved in different activities and an opportunity to promote team spirit and school pride. (photo by Melisse Owen)



Students swarm into the building on the first day of school. Once inside, the students were faced with many changes due to the new security. Among these were red padlocks commissioned by the school. Each student had to purchase a lock for five dollars at registration. This change was implemented in response to the bomb threats during the previous school year. Members of the community, students and school personnel argued that student lockers needed to be accessible to searches. This new requirement for students put many at ease and provided reassurance that the school was prepared in the case of an emergency situation. (photo by Lauren Ledet)

August 22-28 19

SPLISH SPLASH...DOES YOUR CAR NEED A BATH?

Senior Girls Club finds success at car wash

By Lindsay VanFleet

"\$3.00 for a car wash! Hey where are you going? Come back here!"

Seniors **Carol Adams** and **Quinn Perrin** could be heard across the Wal-Mart parking lot in their attempt to get customers to take part in the senior girls club car wash. From 11 a.m. to 3 p.m. on Saturday afternoon, senior girls worked hard to raise money for the annual Winter Formal dance and ended up making over \$200.

"It was a great start, after all we have many other fundraisers planned including cheek cheers, greenery sales and pop and Do-Biz day," senior co-chair **Stacey McConnell** said.

The afternoon turned out to be a Saturday well-spent. Friends enjoyed each other while listening to music, eating pizza and getting into water fights.

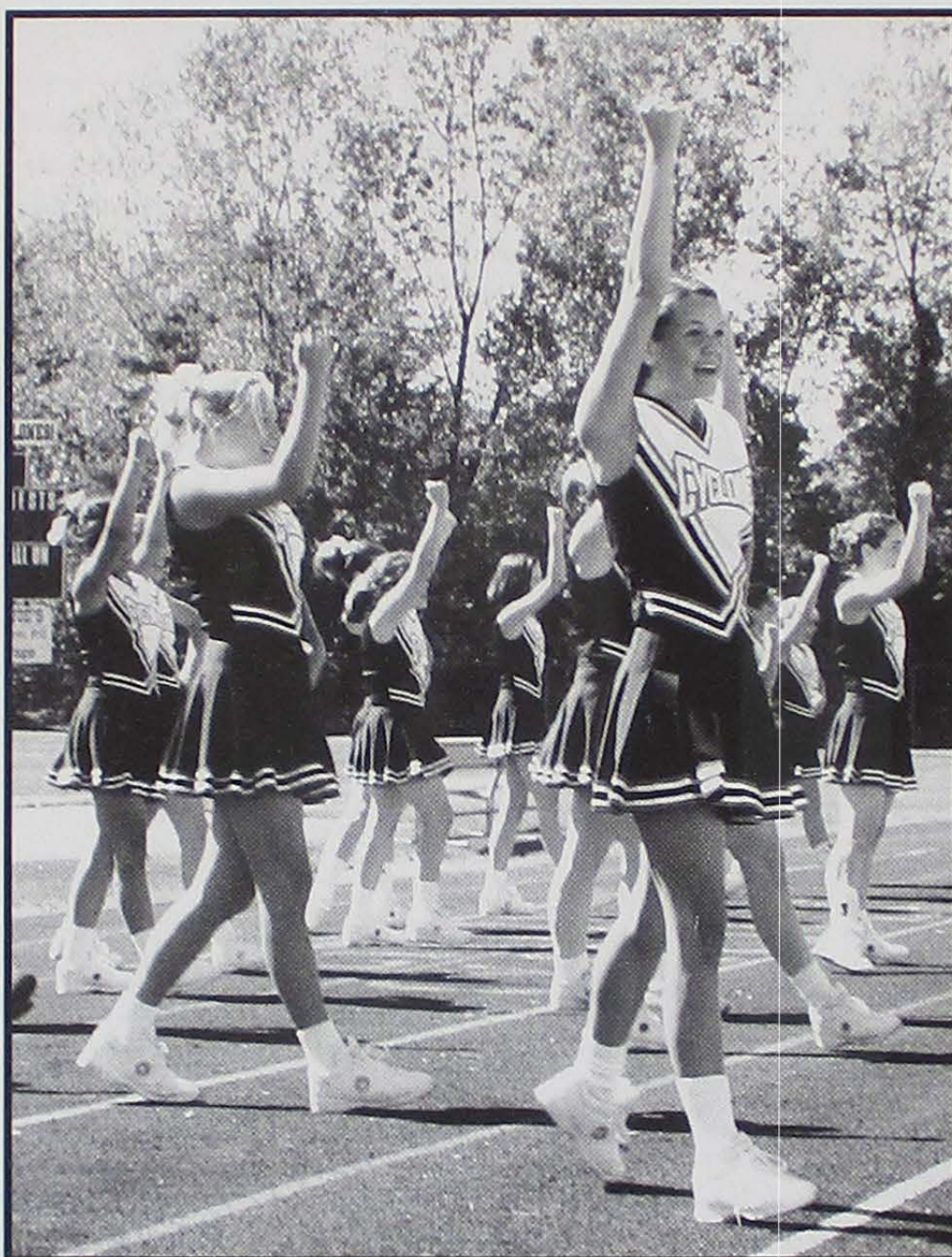
"People were nice and gave us business even when their cars were already clean," senior **Annalies van der Valk** said.

Senior girls learned that when everyone comes together with common goals in mind, great results will happen. During the car wash one goal outweighed all the others.

"I really wanted our Winter Formal to be a successful event," senior **Katie Horton** said.

Carol Crawford laminates a poster for a staff member. Media center workers assisted students and helped teachers set up class visits to the center. (photo by Mike Freiberg)

Freshman, sophomore and varsity cheerleaders joined together for the pep assembly. The pep assembly took place during school hours to introduce the fall sport athletes and their team captains. "It was our first cheering event of the year so some of us were nervous, especially the freshmen. It helped us get off to a good start and made us look forward to the fall season," junior **Julie Song** said. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Members of the band had a front row seat to halftime at each home game, but they were also a very important part in getting the band march and perform before and during crowd energized. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



Sophomore football players scrimmage each other at the fall kick-off. The event gave the players the opportunity to test out their strategies and game plans on

their own teammates before playing against teams from other schools. The fall kick-off was a preview for the coming season. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



Senior Girls Club members **Terri Stalheim**, **Jill Larson** and **Megan Flaws** try to stay cool by drenching each other with soapy water at the club's annual car wash Satur-

day. "We had a blast passing the slow moments with water fights and eating pizza," Stalheim said. (photo by Beth Peterson)



Senior **Susan Vleck** and sophomore **Stacey Arkovich** work on the display case. The students put up pictures and newspaper articles of athletic events that occurred over the summer and the first week of school. Also posted were the schedules of athletic, academic and performing arts events happening in the near future. The display was changed regularly to help students keep up with the current athletic season. (photo by Mike Freiberg)



Senior **Justin Brodie** kicks off the school year working hard with his nose in a chemistry article. Each year seniors taking chemistry could be recognized by their white lab coats as they walked down the hall during the five minute passing period.

Although many seniors chose not to take a science class their senior year, the coats were definitely seen as an incentive to endure hours of hard work, perplexing problems and numerous chemistry experiments. (photo by Mike Freiberg)



On August 28th, members of the varsity football team spent the evening cooling off at a pool party at Carr Pool. The players spent time bonding with their teammates and preparing for their first game of the season against the Marshalltown Bobcats. Tug-of-war, basketball, and dunking games kept the guys in high spirits and helped them take their minds off the season opener, while still allowing them to be surrounded by their friends and teammates. (photo by Mike Freiberg)



Art teacher **Susie Petra** demonstrates to her 3D art class the use of an extruder, a utensil that creates coils for pottery. The class contained a mix of students from

freshmen to seniors with varying ability levels. Many students found art classes the high point of their day. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Juniors **Leslie Westgate**, **Andrea Steele**, **Briana Staff**, **Melissa Belz** and **Kylan Loney** experience some of the handicaps the students they work with

encounter every day. P.E. With Peers allowed students to work with students with disabilities in a comfortable environment. (photo by Rita Carter)

Aug/Sept

SUNDAY

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MONDAY

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School Board Meeting @
AHS 6:30pm

TUESDAY

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B/GF Valley 3:30 pm
G/SW @ Marshalltown
6pm
VB Marshalltown 6pm



Sophomores **Clint Messina**, **Diana O'Riley** and junior **Jenni Wulf** show team spirit at the first home sophomore football game versus the Valley Tigers

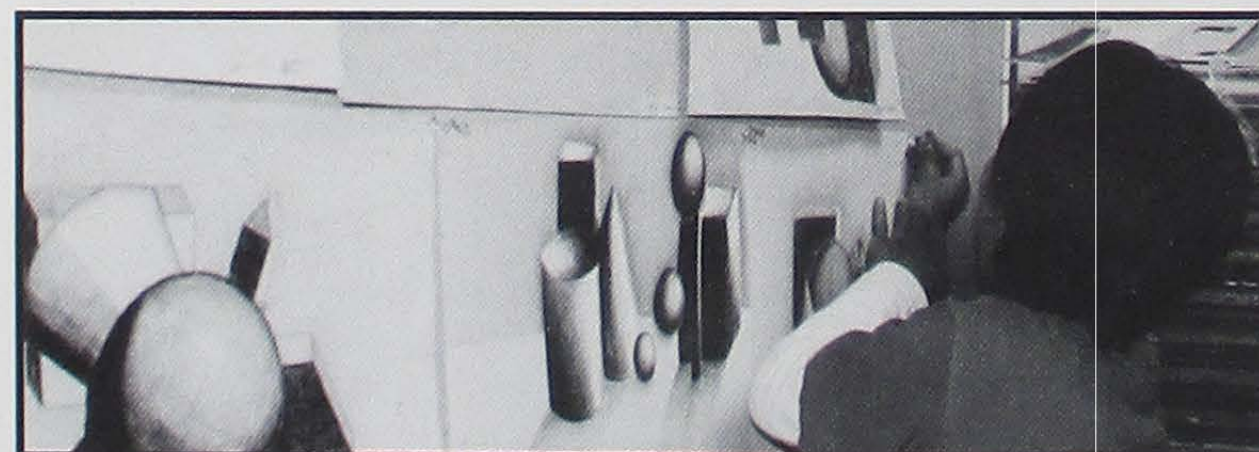
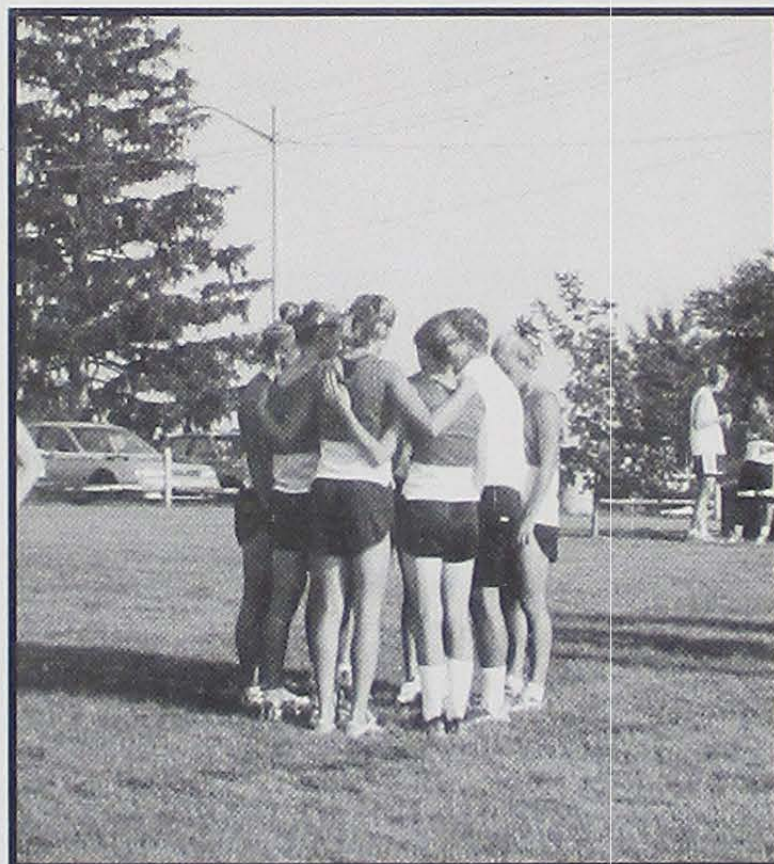
on Friday October 3rd. Students showed their support and school spirit by wearing the school colors. (photo by Beth Peterson)



The freshmen football team congratulates Mason City on their victory after their first game Saturday morning. The freshmen opened their season well, play-

ing a close game with a score of 12-14. Having freshmen teams throughout the year gave younger fans teams to call their own. (photo courtesy of David Fricke)

Coach **Kirk Schmaltz** focuses the efforts of the varsity cross country team at the ISU invite Thursday afternoon. "He tells us to be mentally and physically tough and sets us up to run as a team," varsity runner sophomore **Brennan Reedy** said. Once the race began a positive attitude was essential. "While we are running we concentrated on catching the other Ames runners and then on staying with them," varsity runner junior **Julie Reger** said. Other runners tried not to think about running; instead, they sang a favorite song or prayed to pass the racing time. (photo by Jennifer Oftedal)



Freshman **Varinh Kullavongsa** pins up her new creation. For this assignment students had to make forms appear three-dimensional by shading. "I really enjoy art. I do it when I am bored or to relax

when I'm stressed," Kullavongsa said. 2-D art students worked on a variety of projects throughout the semester including printmaking, painting and graphic design. (photo by Melissa Heer)



Pacing together, senior **Mike Gano** and senior **Matt Stewart** stride by the crowd in the ISU cross country invite. Many runners found it helpful during a race to find a friend of the same pace to moti-

vate and encourage them during the last mile. The freshmen and sophomore team finished fourth, the junior varsity finished second and the varsity finished second. (photo by Jennifer Oftedal)

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WEDNESDAY

1

Activity Fund Drive

THURSDAY

2

All-State Pre-Lims
(Chorus)
B & G CC Ames Invite
5pm

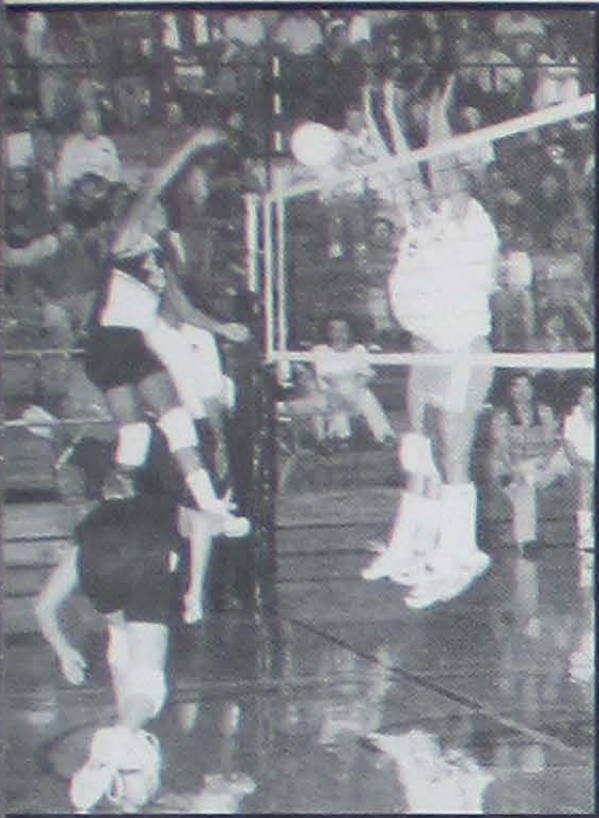
FRIDAY

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FB @ Marshalltown 7:30
pm

SATURDAY

4



Junior starter **Erin Martin** powerfully pikes the ball over the net at the varsity volleyball game while senior **Sarah Tapp** supports from below. The second largest crowd in AHS volleyball history not only witnessed, but helped the team's first win of the year, 5 games to 3. (photo by Amy Chung)



Senior **Adam Faeth** finishes some homework in the courtyard on Good Neighbor Day. Students celebrated this day by giving each other roses. The roses were donated by local florists to anyone wanting to participate and were available at the

shops. The roses brought smiles and lifted spirits of the student body. "I thought that it was nice of the flower shops to donate the flowers to the students. Besides, I like flowers," Faeth said. (photo by Melissa Heer)



As students anticipated football's season opener in Marshalltown, they were surprised to learn that parachuters would be bringing in the game ball. "We remember looking up and wondering when they were going to jump because we couldn't see the plane. When they actually did jump it got us pumped for the game," seniors **Andrea Coleman** and **Andrew Kingsbury** said. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



Seniors **Carol Adams** and **Liz Vogel** map out their campus neighborhood route at the annual fund drive. The fund drive was held every year to raise money for the school's athletics and activities. Students canvassed door to door in hope of finding willing donors. "The best part of the drive was that we actually sold an activity ticket," Adams said. From activity tickets and the efforts of students door to door sales, a total of \$8,000 was collected. The money was divided between the athletic and fine arts departments. (photo by Jennifer Oftedal)



Freshman **Parisa Maghsoodi** swims the backstroke during the meet against the Marshalltown Bobcats. Maghsoodi swam backstroke for the first time of the season during the meet. To start

out the season, the swim team swam against their two toughest rivals during the first two meets. Marshalltown ended up winning with a final score of 76-116. (photo by Lauren Ledet)

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September

SUNDAY

5

MONDAY

JV/FB @ Boone 5:30pm
Labor Day: NO SCHOOL

6

TUESDAY

B/GF @ Ft. Dodge 3:30pm
G/SW @ Valley 5:30pm
VB @ Valley 6pm

7



Drumline members junior **Nate Staniforth** and sophomore **Chris Lueth** perform for the crowd at the first home football game. Students were involved in band for various reasons, be it a free football game or

a common interest in music. "The drum line cadences acted as a booster to psych up the band in order to have a spectacular performance," senior **Matt McDuff** said. (photo by Beth Peterson)

"I'm gonna kill this ball," junior **Adam Shaul** said. "I'm gonna put it right over the fence." More than willing to show off his confidence in his long ball -- especially when the photographers showed up -- Shaul demanded a gallery (that's golf talk for "an audience") as he prepared to "kill" the ball. Unfortunately, it lived. Shaul did, however, manage to tap it a few feet. (photo by Amanda Burke)



Escape from AHS: How Do You Sneak Out?

Compiled By Mike Frieberg

"We sign out at the Media Center and leave out the front doors." - juniors **Stephanie Carroll** and **Andrea Steele**

"I used to run away from teachers and go out the Auto-Mech door into a moving car driven by seniors." - senior **Kirk Youngberg**

"Pretend like you know what you're doing. It's all about having confidence baby." - sophomore **Emily Gleason**

"Go to the photography rooms and have people pick you up." - junior **Travis Knapp**

"Escape through the music hallway." - senior **Davy Crockett**

"Use a senior's card and cover up their face with your thumb when showing it to Lori." - junior **Abby Lundstrom**

"I bribed Lori with big cookies and Bev with Mountain Dew." - junior **Megan Maher**

"I confiscated signed passes off the Ames High black market from a graduated senior." - senior **Mike Freiberg**

"Steal stickers from the attendance office and write on them." - sophomore **Ben Bryden**

"Wait for the door to get crowded and walk out." - junior **Rita Carter**

"I'm Bud Legg's daughter." - **Anonymous**

WEDNESDAY

8

International Literacy Day

THURSDAY

9

B/GF Mason City 3:30pm
9th FB @ Valley 5pm
B & G CC @ Cedar
Rapids 5pm

FRIDAY

10

FB Valley 7:30pm
Rosh Hashana begins at
sunset

SATURDAY

11

B & G CC @ ISU Invite
10am
G/SW Ames Invite 10am
V VB @ Metro Invite
9th VB @ Urbandale
Tournament
Marching Band @ Boone
Parade Noon

WE'VE JUST BEGUN

Football players fight through first home game

By Beth Peterson

Cheerleaders energetically leaped and bounded onto the track during the first pep assembly of the year. Students roared upon the grand entrance.

The pep assembly was a great time to release some of the bottled up spirit and to catch up on other fall sport seasons.

"It got me pumped to root for our football team and caught me up on other fall sports," sophomore **Brooke Sornsen** said.

As the hours fell off the clock and the anticipation grew for the first home game against Valley

(a team rarely beat at home) excitement levels grew.

"I was so excited I couldn't get a wink of sleep the night before the game. It was such a big game," senior **Nathan Booth** said.

The football team played a heartfelt first half holding Valley to one field goal. Unfortunately, Valley came out with vengeance the second half, changing the score from 0-3 to 0-17.

"We played well, but towards the end of the game we just broke down. It was a tough loss," junior **Matt Hitchings** said.



Senior **Jill Hamilton** flashes her "serious meet face" for the camera in honor of the girls' swim team's rivalry against Valley on Tuesday. "I come for the rockin' good time and I stay for the swimmin'," she said. Hamilton, who swims distance

freestyle and the butterfly, was voted the team's co-captain (along with fellow senior **Lindsay Kiliper**). Unfortunately, she was forced to take an extended leave of absence due to an emergency appendectomy. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



Students from Valley High School burn "V" symbols into the Ames High parking lot before the football game on Friday. Several Team Tailgate members used a cell phone to contact the police about the incident and

and the offenders were ticketed. Valley was one of many tailgate teams that popped up this year, two years after Ames' Team Tailgate started the trend. (photo by Melissa Owen)



Senior football players **Curt McGeeney**, **Brandon Bogue**, **Dylan Martinez**, **John Holscher**, **Kevin Schainker**, **Jeff Calentine** and **Richie Harmon** stand proudly by the rail during the first pep

assembly of the year. "Being a senior is great because you are expected to step up and be a leader for the underclassmen," McGeeney said. (photo by Beth Peterson)

September

SUNDAY

Rosh Hashana
Grand parents' Day

12

MONDAY

JV FB @ Valley 5:00 pm
G SW @ Boone 6:00 pm
VB Urbandale 6:00 pm

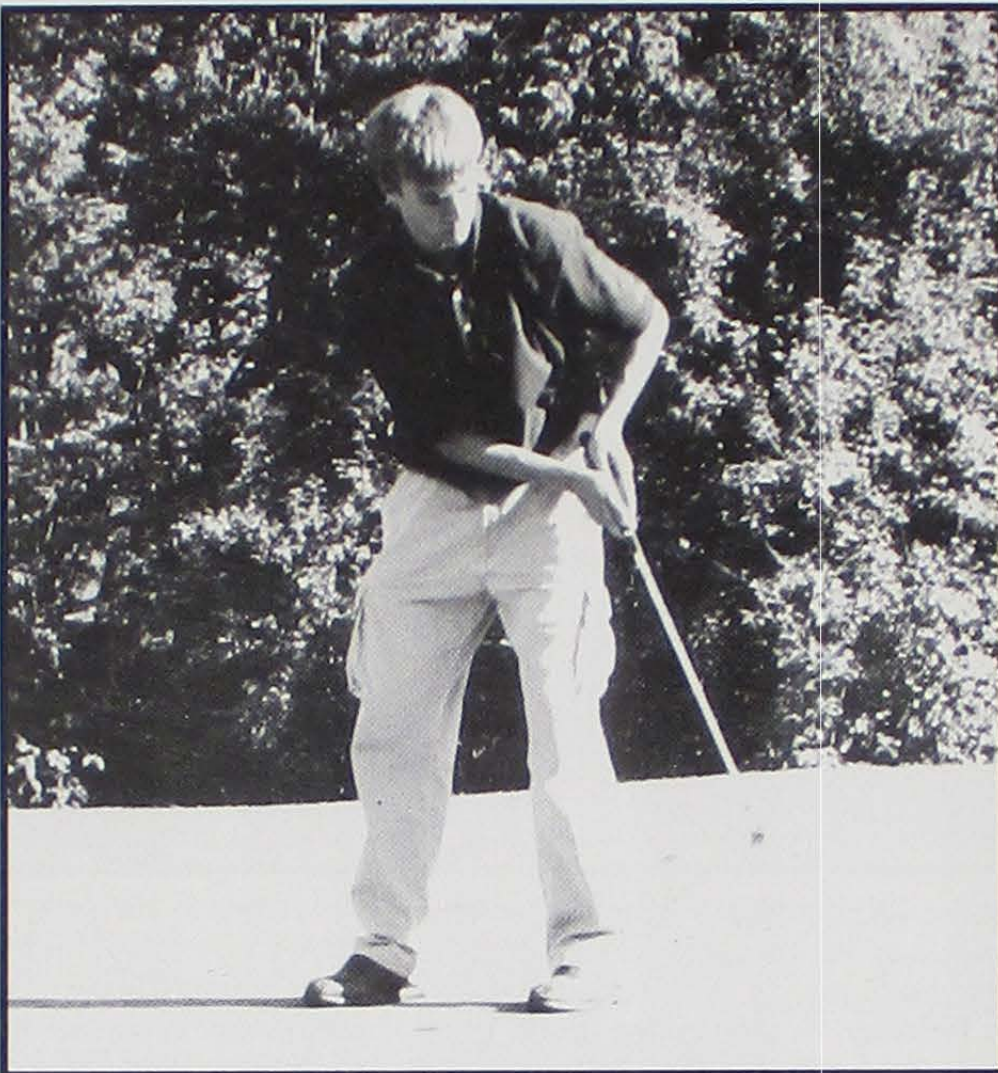
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TUESDAY

PAC Mtg
Open House
School Election

14

Junior **Brandon Crase** follows through on his putting attempt on the second hole of Veenker. The team ended up with a win over Boone that day. "I didn't think of it as a challenge, but more as a confidence booster," senior **Kirk Youngberg** said. "It was a good way to start the mid-season." Many opponents were seen as just one more under the belt rather than competition. (photo by Amanda Burke)



Sophomores **Casey Winkleblack**, **Lincoln Nichols** and senior **Brian Cheney** fight Marshalltown runners for places in the varsity portion of the ISU Invitational Saturday. Ames won both varsity and junior varsity races and placed

fourth in the frosh/soph race. "We ran very well," Winkleblack said. "It proved that we could beat anybody that came to our course." The ISU course became a motivator for runners, as they thought of it at "their course". (photo by Ben Stover)



Sophomores **Amber Covey** and **Katie Adam** cheered for their teammates during the swim meet against Marshalltown. Despite all the cheering the Little Cyclones lost to the Bobcats 70-116. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



Parents observe **Susie Petra's** 3-D art class as she explains classroom routine during open house night. Parents followed their children's schedules, giving them the chance to feel like students again. (photo by Lauren Ledet)

26 September 12-18

WEDNESDAY

Mexican Independence Days
Hispanic Heritage Month
Sept. 15-Oct. 15

THURSDAY

B GF Boone 4:00 pm
9 FB Indianola 6:00 pm
Chamber Choir Auditions
Mayflower Day
Mexican Independence Days

FRIDAY

FB @ Sioux City East
7:30 pm
Citizenship Day
Clean up the World Days
17-19
Constitution Week 17-23

SATURDAY

V VB @ Ft Dodge Invite
8:30 am
JV VB @ Gilbert Invite
9:00 am
G SW @ Marshalltown
Invite 12:30 pm

COMMON GROUND: Fellowship of Christian Athletes finds unity

By Jennifer Oftedal

While some school clubs were organized around the common interests of drama, the environment or athletics, Fellowship of Christian Athletes (known as FCA) was centered around a common bond shared in Jesus Christ.

"The goal of FCA was not only for fellowship and to have fun with other Christians, but also to strengthen each Christian's walk with Christ," senior FCA leader **Kristin Niehof** said.

Each meeting revolved around a desire for fellowship and learning. An icebreaker typically got the group laughing and sharing at the start of each meeting. This usually lead to a testimony, speaker or Bible study lead by any of the five student leaders. Topics discussed varied

from relationships, how to deal with suffering and the fruits of the spirit.

Members of FCA came for different reasons. Some enjoyed the encouragement they received, others valued the school related Christian group, but all were thankful for the friendships they formed.

Throughout the year, members of FCA enjoyed different events and activities together, giving them a common ground to develop friendships from. These events included youth rallies, prayer groups, breakfast clubs and concerts.

"FCA was not a group, but a family. It was a place to relax during the week while checking up on everybody," senior **Ben Stover** said.

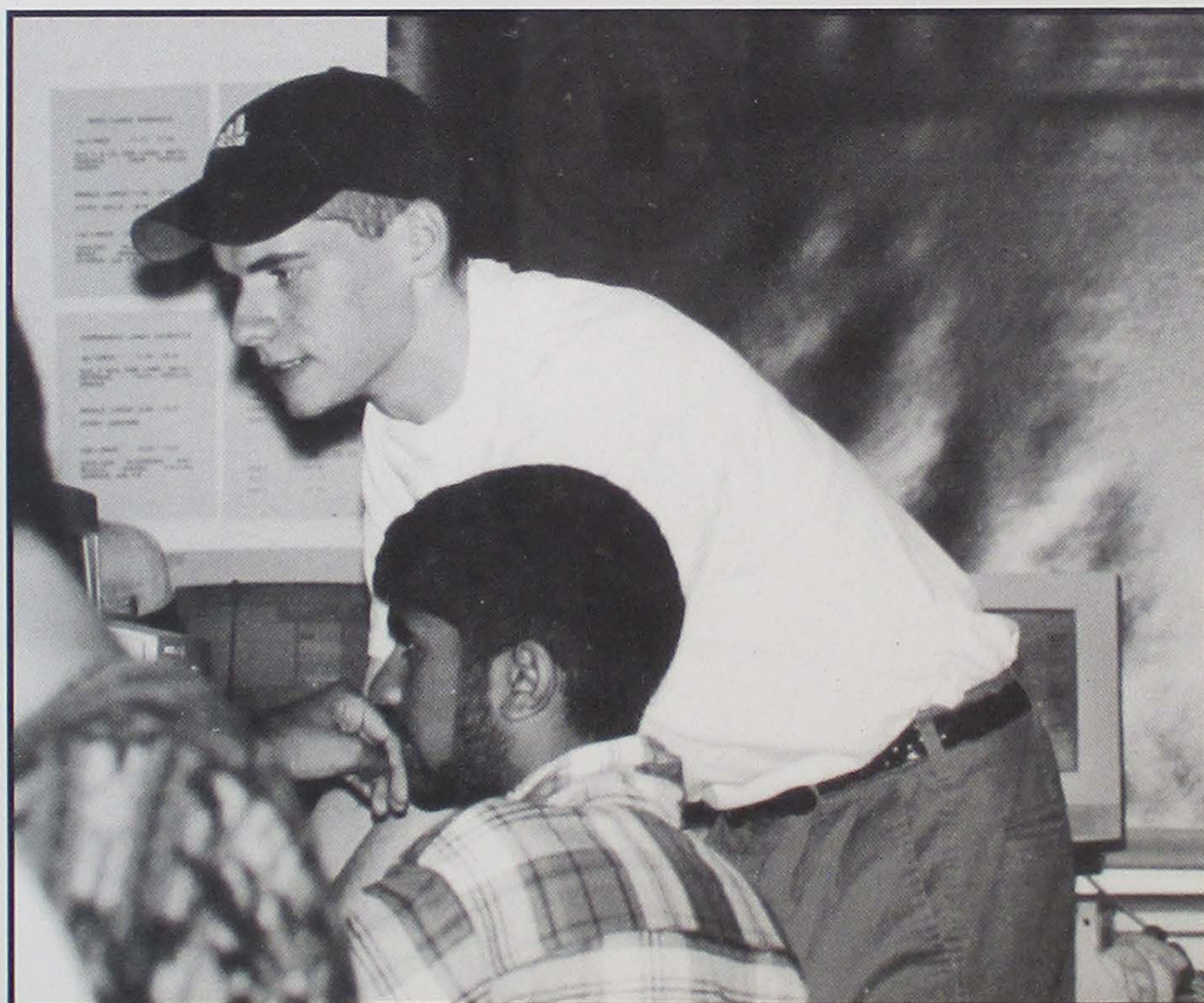
Small groups of students broke off from a larger circle to pray for their school, friends, country and leaders. "See You at the Pole" was an annual event that brought

students of faith in junior high and high school together across the nation. Around 100 students turned out for the event. (photo by Ben Stover)



Students relax and socialize during the FCA ice cream social Monday night. Conversation and

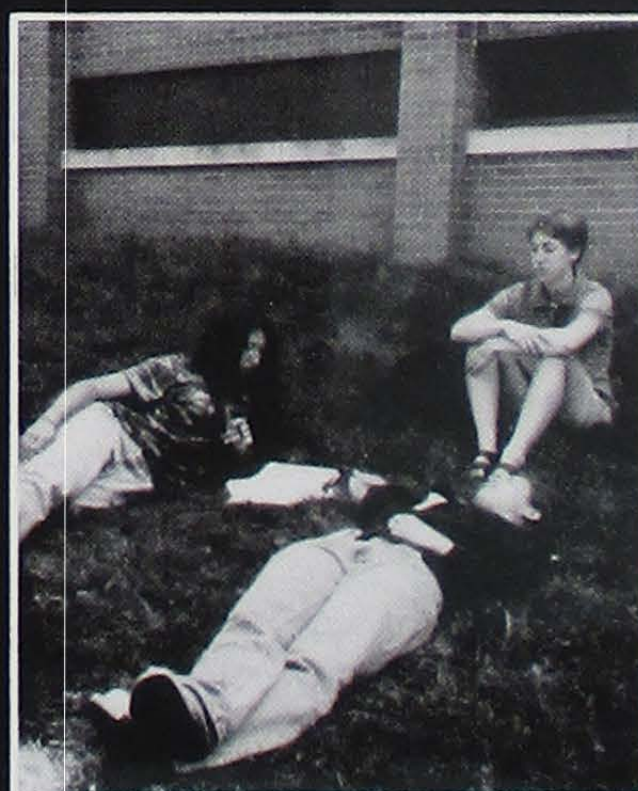
fellowship were a large part of these meetings. (photo by Rita Carter)



'Do not disturb! Web has a deadline.' was plastered on Room 201 Tuesday night during parent open house. Senior **Jeff Christian** gave helpful suggestions to senior **Shawn Sebastian** about putting the final touches on his article. "It was busy like hell, slightly above challenging. You

know it becomes late when no one shows up for first period the next day," Christian said. The Web published their first edition on the 17th featuring articles on new teachers and staff, ALP and the Schmaltz family. (photo by Lauren Ledet)

Fall



Once Upon a Time...

There were 1600 kids packed into one building
with backpacks crashing,
gossip flying,
and hormones raging,
and they lived happily ever after.

-senior Shawn Sebastian

Leaves crunch well under leather loafers
Perhaps that is why flip-flops
are no longer worn in the fall.

A mitten feels most appreciated
on a frost-laced morning.
Perhaps that is why bathing suits go into hibernation.

Green clashes with pumpkin orange.
Perhaps this is why the lawn
didn't re-dye its hair green.
(instead it let its natural roots show.)

Tree branches sigh more easily
when leaves aren't clinging to their ends.
Perhaps this is why summer relaxes into fall.

-senior Liz Vogel

September

SUNDAY

Yom Kippur begins at sunset

19

MONDAY

School Board meeting
6:30pm
B/GF Ames Invite 3:30pm
VB Marshalltown 6pm
Yom Kippur

TUESDAY

G/SW Fort Dodge 5pm
VB Fort Dodge 6pm
OPUS Auditions
International Day of Peace



Senior **Robin Meyer** shows some old-fashioned delight while at the Minnesota Renaissance Festival. Students paid \$38 to attend the festival, and despite being forced to endure a four-hour-long bus ride

and some stormy weather, the day was a success. "I've been to the festival six times and each time it just gets better," Meyer said. (photo courtesy of Robin Meyer)



Varsity volleyball player senior **Kristin Brown** passes the ball to a setter during a home game against Fort Dodge. Brown was a unique entity on the girls' volleyball

team, as one of the team's four seniors. The other three were **Meagan Harms**, **Sarah Tapper** and **Sarah Krumm**. (photo by Melisse Owen)



Freshman **Ben Cheney** wears the designated "Art Room Crown" in his 2-D Art class. "Wearing the crown made me feel important," Cheney said. The crown had somehow made its way into Mrs. Gugel's

art room earlier in the year and was considered to be a treasure by all who wore it. Just one of those things that makes learning fun. (photo by Melissa Heer)



Sophomore **Amber Covey** checks her swim cap before her race during the girls' swim meet against Fort Dodge on Tuesday. "I usually get really nervous before I

have to swim," Covey said. "But swimming is so fun. The team unity is awesome -- it's like a big family." (photo by Lauren Ledet)

WEDNESDAY

22

THURSDAY

B/GF @ Newton 3:30pm
9th FB Fort Dodge 5pm
B & G CC @ Indianola
Invite 5pm
First Day Autumn

FRIDAY

24
FB @ Fort Dodge
7:30pm
Sukkot begins at sunset

SATURDAY

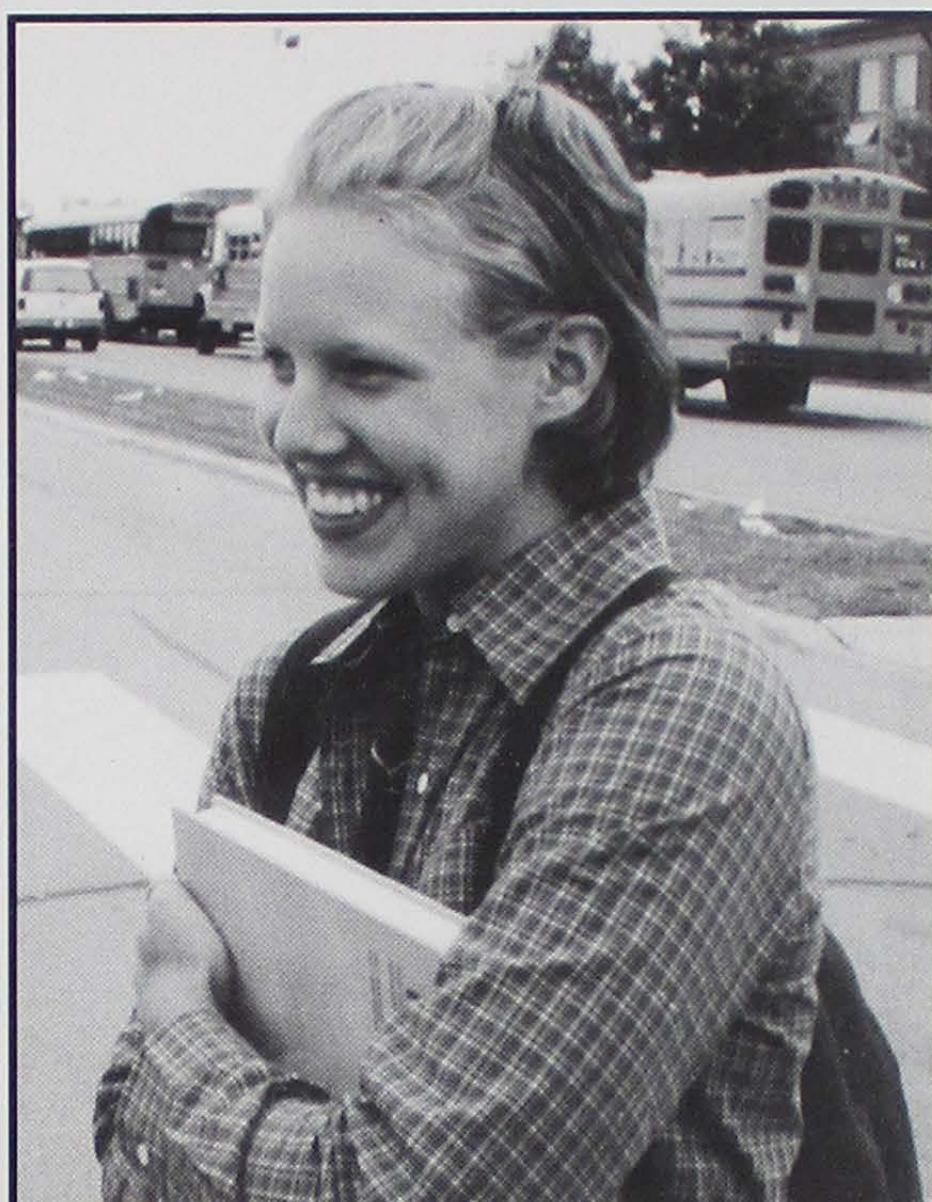
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9 VB @ Urbandale
Tournament
Kiwanis Kids' Day
Sukkot



Sophomore **David Ling**, senior **George Hetfield**, junior **Ben Cronin** and senior **Aki Nakagawa** prepare for the snap in the game against the Fort Dodge Dodgers. Despite the cold temperatures, the

Little Cyclones came through with a victory against the Dodgers. "This is what high school's all about," Ling said. Many agreed that football was a big part of the fall quarter. (photo by Beth Peterson)

You didn't have to be on a homecoming committee to feel the pressure of the pre-homecoming week. While committee members stressed about the coming week's events, other students worried about whether or not they could find a date in time for the dance. Junior **Carly Mortensen** didn't have to worry, though. "I'm not worried about it," Mortensen said. "I already have a date." For those who were less fortunate and didn't want to be escorted by their friends, there was always a back-up plan. "I'm going to be TPing every night!" an anonymous senior said. (photo by Mike Freiberg)



Junior **Megan Maher** does her part to stay healthy and hydrated. Many students took advantage of the water fountains, since no

food or beverages were allowed in the hallways during passing times or in classrooms. (photo by Amanda Burke)



Senior **Russell Parkin** takes advantage of some free time by catching a quick catnap between periods. Many students

had little time to sleep with the added stresses of homework, sports and part-time jobs. (photo by Rita Carter)

WEDNESDAY

Welcome to Wednesday

THURSDAY

B/GF Conference Meet @
Fort Dodge
B/CC @ Ankeny 4:30pm
9th FB @ Mason City
5pm
G/SW @ Ankeny 5pm
9th VB @ Boone Invite
Bonfire
Homecoming Parade
Rain Date

FRIDAY

FB Mason City 7:30pm
(Homecoming)
Computer Learning Month
National Crime Prevention
Month
German Heritage Month
Italian American Heritage
Month
Polish American Heritage
Month
National UNICEF Month

SATURDAY

VB @ Urbandale
Tournament
Homecoming Dance
Shemini Atzeret
Simchat Torah begins
at sunset



The festive girls cross country bus is an annual sight at the Homecoming parade on Main Street. In keeping with tradition, head coach **Kirk Schmalz** drove the school bus. The poster which adorned the side of the bus was created by the 85

members during their weekly spaghetti club. This was the second year the girls had to refrain from painting the school bus because of paint marks which were unable to be removed. (photo by Beth Peterson)



Junior **Travis Knapp** fingerpaints "Travis Rules" on a display case window to help decorate the green hall for Homecoming week. Each class was assigned a hall to

decorate. The junior class' theme for their hall was the '70's. The senior hall won the decoration prize. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Members of the AHS Drill Team perform at the pep assembly prior to the bonfire on Thursday night. They performed to the *Hot Stuff* hot mix. The Drill Team was introduced as a winter sport in the 1999-2000 school year and was coached by Sarah Buss. The squad, consisting of

over 30 members, had two captains for each grade. They were seniors **Kate Downing** and **Amy Hronek**, juniors **Caitlin Braun** and **Betsy Ziegenbusch**, sophomores **Hope Okere** and **Anat Shinar** and freshmen **Kelly Baker** and **Sarah Nadler**. (photo by Melisse Owen)



Members of the senior class participate in the annual tug-of-war competition during the Homecoming assembly Monday.

The Class Olympics consisted of body spell, tug-of-war and a new singing contest. (photo by Rita Carter)

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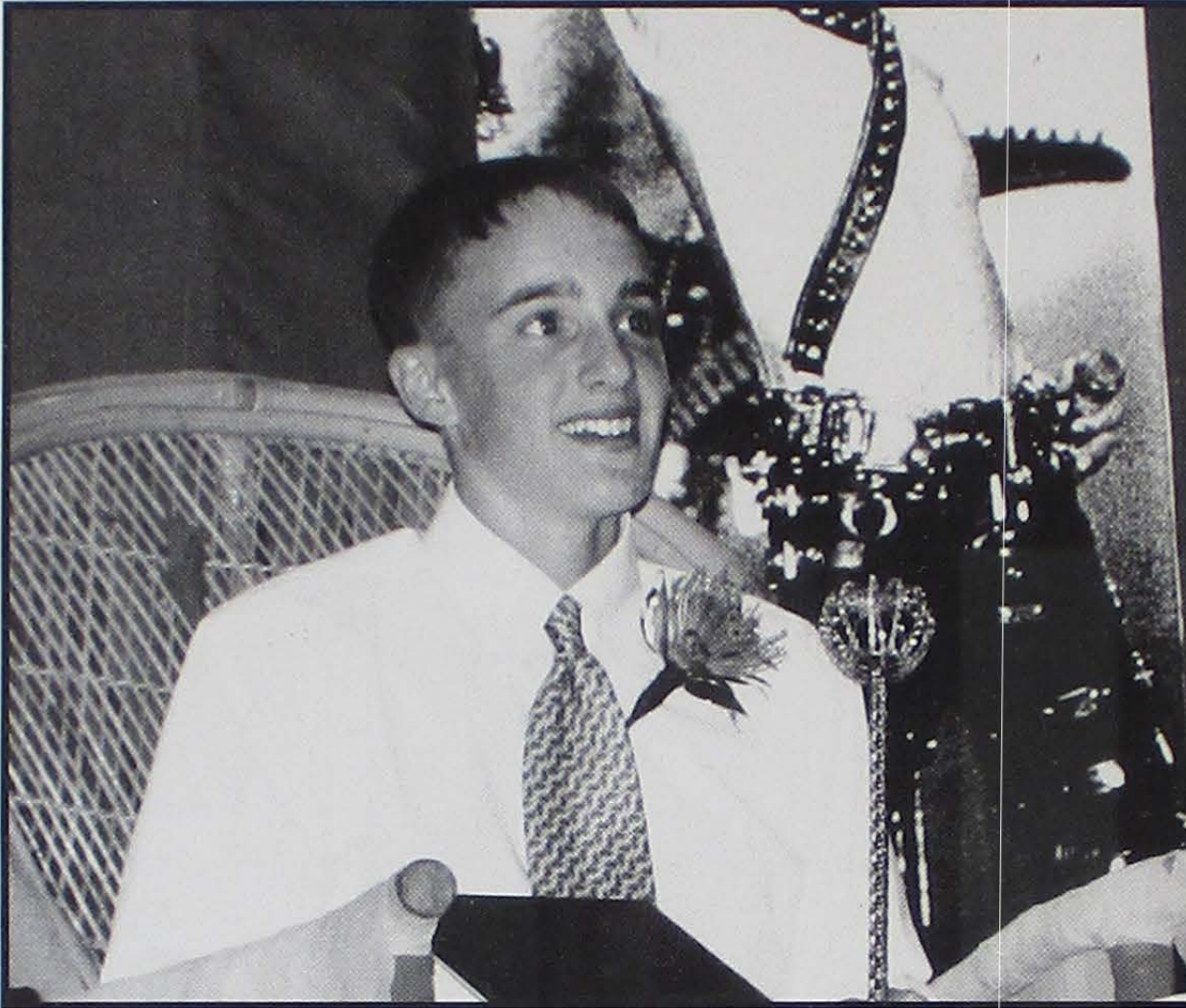
Court members **Jennifer Oftedal, Liz Vogel, Quinn Perrin, Sam Dorr, Bridget Rhodes** and **Betsy Deardorff** are royalty for the week. Each represented a

decade from the 50's to the future and were asked to give humorous answers to questions revolving around their decades. (photo by Beth Peterson)



Court members **Tim Hibbing, Patrick Finn, Justin Cochren, Dan Burrow, Curt McGeeney** and **Jon Mowers** show off before being announced to the student

body. After walking out of the time machine, master of ceremonies **Bob Uet** read off accomplishments and interests of each candidate. (Photo by Beth Peterson)



Seniors **Tim Hibbing** and **Quinn Perrin** shine after being selected Homecoming king and queen. (photo by Beth Peterson)

KING TIM & QUEEN QUINN

By Jennifer Oftedal and Beth Peterson

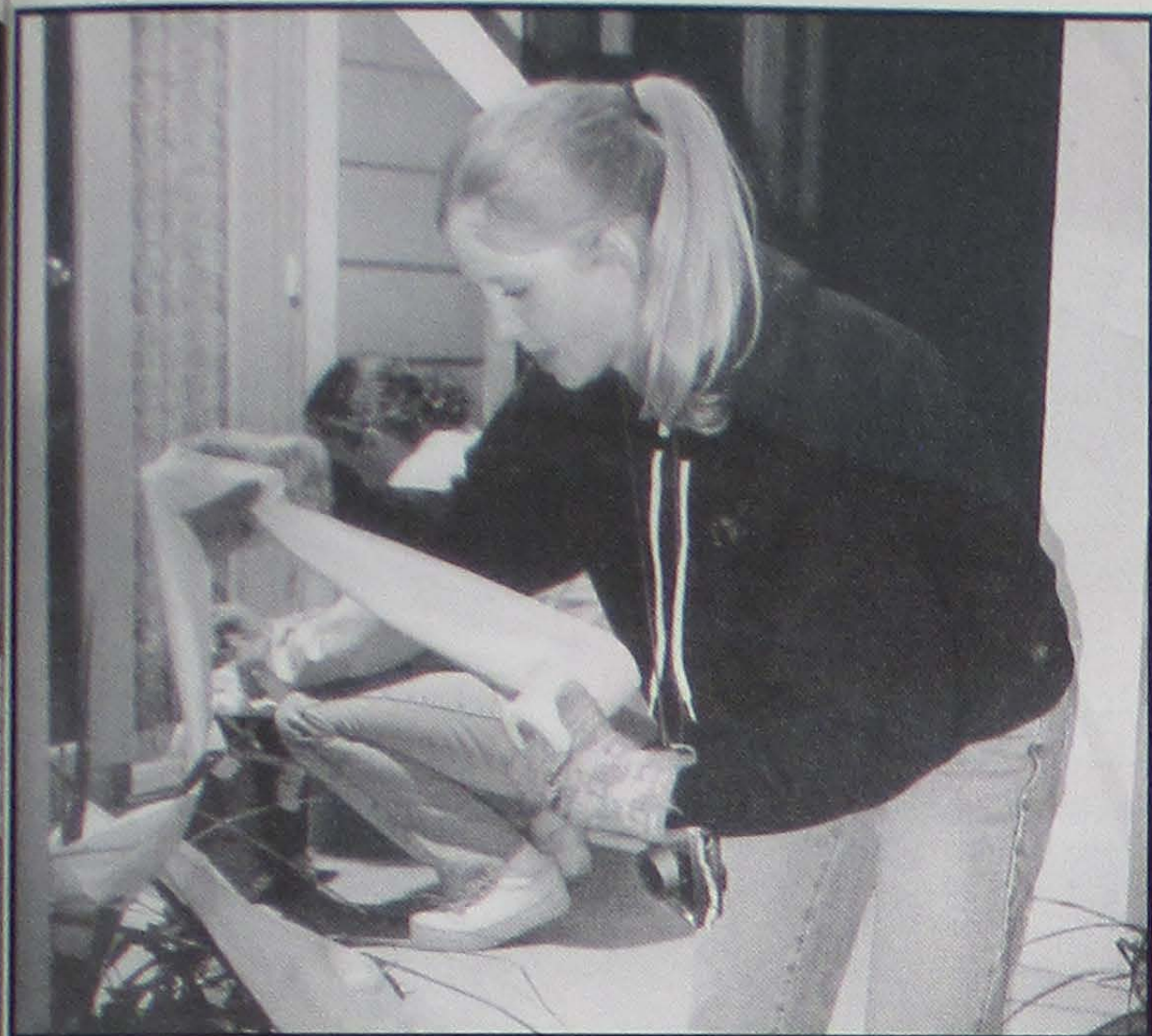
Homecoming King **Tim Hibbing**, who said he was happiest drinking hot chocolate in his sweatpants at his grandparents oak table beside a fire, enjoyed his week on homecoming court. "To be put into the same sentence as the other eleven candidates was very honoring," Hibbing said smiling. "The parade was great. All I had to do was chill on back of a car while I threw candy at little kids. It was the best part of being on court." When asked what he wanted people to realize about life he responded, "I want people to realize that there are people in the world that sincerely love them."

Homecoming Queen **Quinn Perrin**, who said by the time she is 20 she wants to guest star on Dawson's Creek, hook up with Stone Cold Steve Austin, and party like it's 1999, made plenty of memories during homecoming week. "Getting to dance with Patrick Finn at the kick-off assembly and being paired up with the nicest kid in the world (Tim Hibbing) were the highlights of my week on court," Perrin said. When Quinn was asked what she wanted people to realize about life she responded, "A lot of stupid, little things don't matter, like who rides with who to a football game."



Seniors **Jenny Tuttle, Abby Brannan, Anne Shelley, Kirk Youngberg** and **Adam Webb** sing selections from songs from the 60's, 70's, 80's, and 90's during the coronation assembly. "We went through a lot of songs for each decade and tried to find a song that the student body would recognize and like. We also

tried to find a song we could perform physically with the guitar and piano Shelley said. **Aki Nakagawa** played the piano and sang while Webb played the guitar. The group opened with *Get Back* by the Beatles and closed with the song *Time of Your Life* by Green Day. (photo by Beth Peterson)



Junior **Anna Burgdoff** TP's a varsity football player's house Thursday night. Many students lost precious hours of sleep either TPing, playing at band raid

or just running around town. The night led to a Friday filled with yawning and napping during classes. (photo by Julie Prindle)



Juniors **Amy Swanson**, **Nick Inglett** and **Kesha Johns** do the Hokey Pokey at the Homecoming dance. The dance took

place in the gym which was decorated by the Homecoming Committee. (photo by Amy Chung)



A group of upperclassmen gather at Aunt Maude's to eat dinner before attending the Homecoming dance. "I've been eating Aunt Maude's since I was a

little kid. It's a great place to eat and being with friends makes it even better," senior **Amy Colony** said. (photo by Esther Kindred)



Varsity football members huddle together to congratulate each other on their victory over the Mohawks. The win was the

perfect ending to a Homecoming week filled with school spirit and pride. (photo by Melisse Owen)



Cheerleaders and band members support the varsity football team by singing, *Loyalty*, the school fight song at the end of the Homecoming game. Although

students were not allowed to rush onto the field following the game, many showed spirit by participating in the cheer. (photo by Melisse Owen)

October

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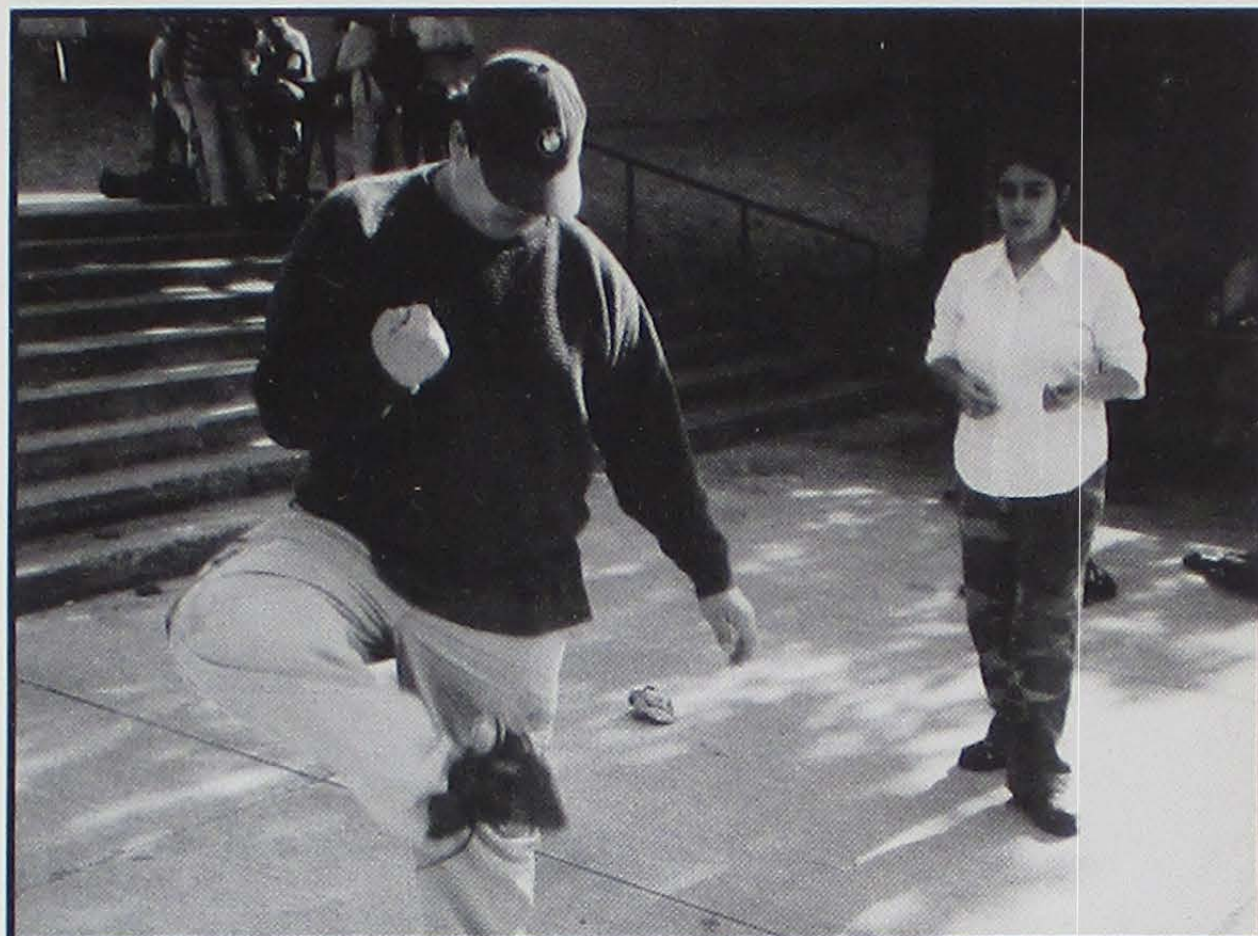
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Fire Prevention Week 3-9
Simchat Torah

MONDAY

4
School Board Meeting@
6:30

TUESDAY

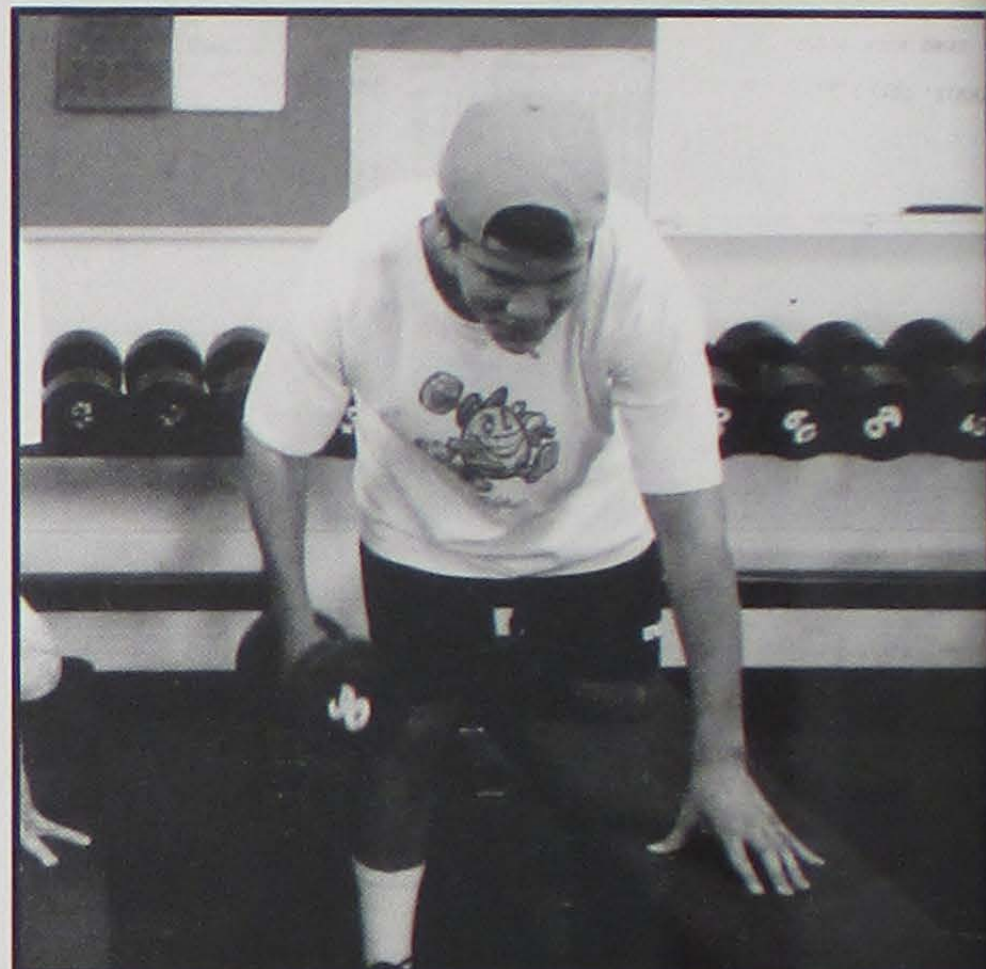
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Girls G/SW @Urbandale
5pm
VB@Urbandale 6pm
Boys G/F Districts



Senior **Nick Feigen** plays hacky-sack during his lunch period in the courtyard while junior **Lina Hawana** looks on. Many students used their lunch periods to relax

before the next round of classes. The courtyard was a popular place for students to eat lunch and hang out with their friends. (photo by Mike Freiberg)

Junior **Chris Craig** lifts weights after school in the new Paul R. Jones Fitness Center. The Fitness Center served as a place for students to get in shape for upcoming sports activities. Many athletes followed programs suggested by their coaches. The Fitness Center was an asset to all of the sports teams. (photo by Julie Song)



Senior **Daniel Jeong** putts at the state tournament. Jeong finished first for Ames with a score of 83 and 78 while senior **Kirk Youngberg** placed second. Se-

niors **Ryan Jordon**, **Aaron Brown**, juniors **Nick Inglett**, **Brandon Crase** and **Mitchell Ridnour** made up the rest of the state team. (photo by Amanda Burke)



Sophomores **A Platt** and **Tyler Perrin** get in a quick chat about their day's events during a five-minute passing period. Students found the five-minute passing pe-

riod the only time to talk to friends during the school day, and were often late to class due to their socializing. (photo by Beth Peterson)

WEDNESDAY

College Fair 12th
ITED Testing 9th/11th
PLAN Testing 12th

THURSDAY

B/CC@ Augustine
Invite 4:30pm
G/CC@ Ankeny
4:45pm
Hall Of Fame Banquet

FRIDAY

FB Urbandale @ 7:30pm
B/GF Tournament @
Cedar Rapids

SATURDAY

Ames Education
Foundation's "Rally for
Education" @6:30pm
9/FB@ Urbandale 9am
B/GF State Tournament @
Cedar Rapids
AHS/Central IA Sym-
phony @ Symphony Hall
G/SW @ Urbandale Invite
JV/VB @ Urbandale
Tournament
SAT Testing



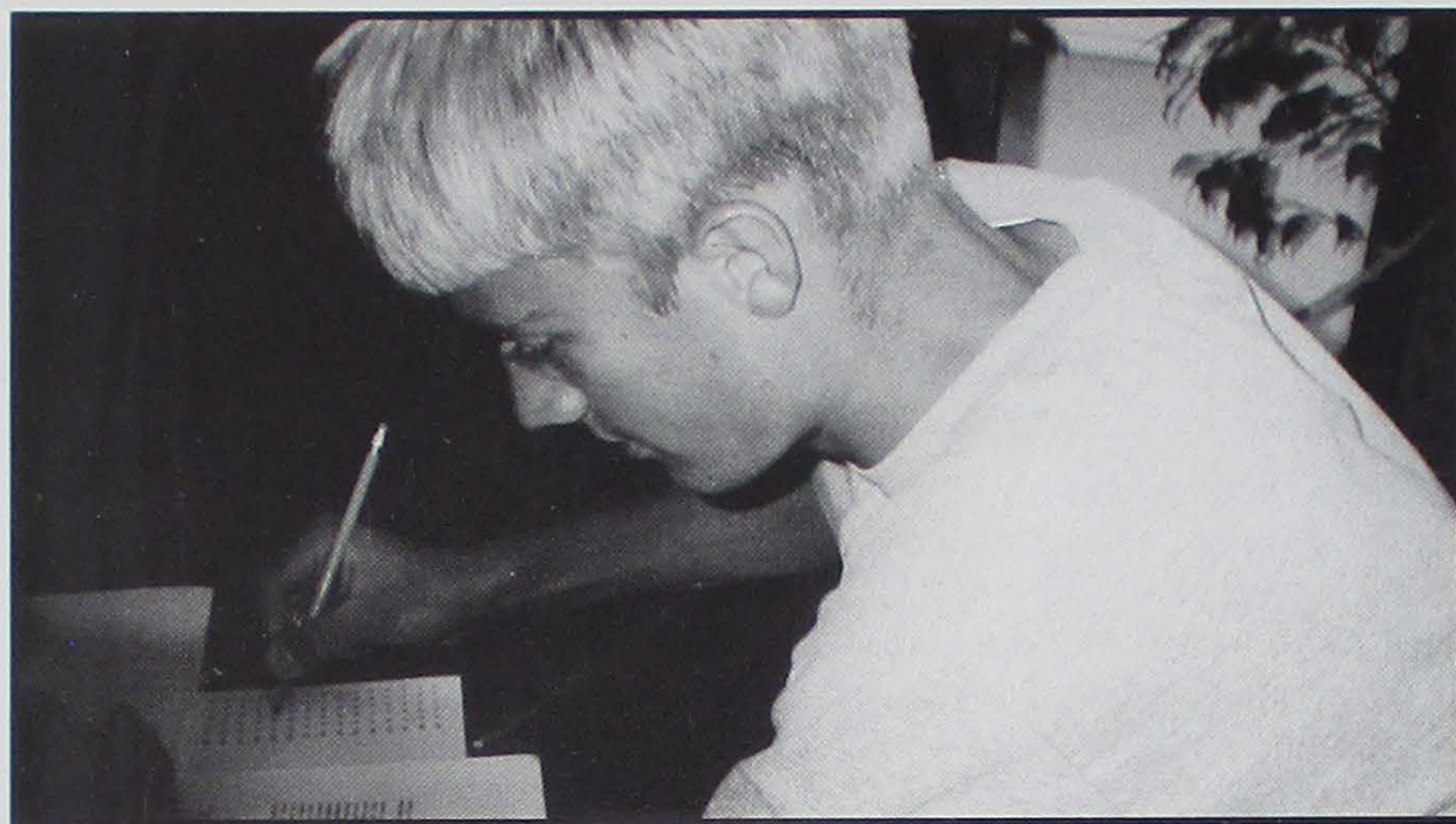
Senior **Lindsay Pohlman** runs the senior class race during the girls' cross country meet on Thursday.

At the meet, each grade level ran separate races. (photo by Beth Peterson)



Senior **Patrick Cole** intercepts a pass during the game against Urbandale on Friday. Despite the Cyclones' efforts, they lost to the J-Hawks 23-13. "It was

a disappointing loss, but we never gave up and we showed a lot of character by hanging in there," Cole said. (photo by Samantha Dorr)



Junior **Brandon Crase** completes his Iowa Tests of Educational Development (ITEDs) on Wednesday. Freshmen and juniors took the

tests while sophomores participated in career day and seniors visited prospective colleges. (photo by Julie Prindle)



Senior **Josh Strasburg** discusses his future plans with an Army representative during Wednesday's college fair. Various colleges had booths in the gym. "I decided to go into the Army

because I felt that if I went into college straight from high school I would treat it more as a 'party time,' rather than a place to learn," Strasburg said. (photo by Mike Freiberg)

October

SUNDAY

National Metric Week

10

MONDAY

JV/FB @ Urbandale
5:00pm
VB @ Valley 6:00 pm
Coming Out Week
Columbus Day
NAEOP Career Awareness Week (11-15)
National School Lunch Week (11-15)

TUESDAY

VB Johnston 6:00pm
PAC Meeting
PSAT/NMSQT Testing
10th-11th

COMING OUT WEEK

Spectrum Creates a Rainbow of Understanding

By Jennifer Alexander

"High school can be an extremely lonely place for [gay, lesbian and bisexual] kids, especially if they're not out. During National Coming Out Week we remind everybody that nobody is fighting this fight alone," senior and co-president of Spectrum **Andy Cowan** said.

Spectrum, the school's gay/straight alliance, celebrates diversity and attempts to bridge the gap between students who may be less aware of issues concerning sexuality.

The week's goal was to create "a greater acceptance of

people different than themselves," senior Spectrum member **Seth Bacon** said. Another goal was to bring more awareness to the issues confronting gay, lesbian, bisexual and transgendered students.

Decreasing discrimination was another major focus. "We want everybody to realize that gay people are people too, and don't deserve to be treated with disrespect and hatred simply because of who they are and whom they love," Cowan said.

During the week, club members painted banners and hung

decorations in the front lobby.

Spectrum members also sold small packages of Skittles all day Wednesday. The colorful Skittles symbolized human diversity. On Thursday, guest speakers spoke in the auditorium during selected periods. The speakers gave inspiration while empowering students with their knowledge.

"Don't let anybody tell you who you can or cannot be or can or cannot love in this world. All opinions are required," speaker **Sarah Schweitzer** said.

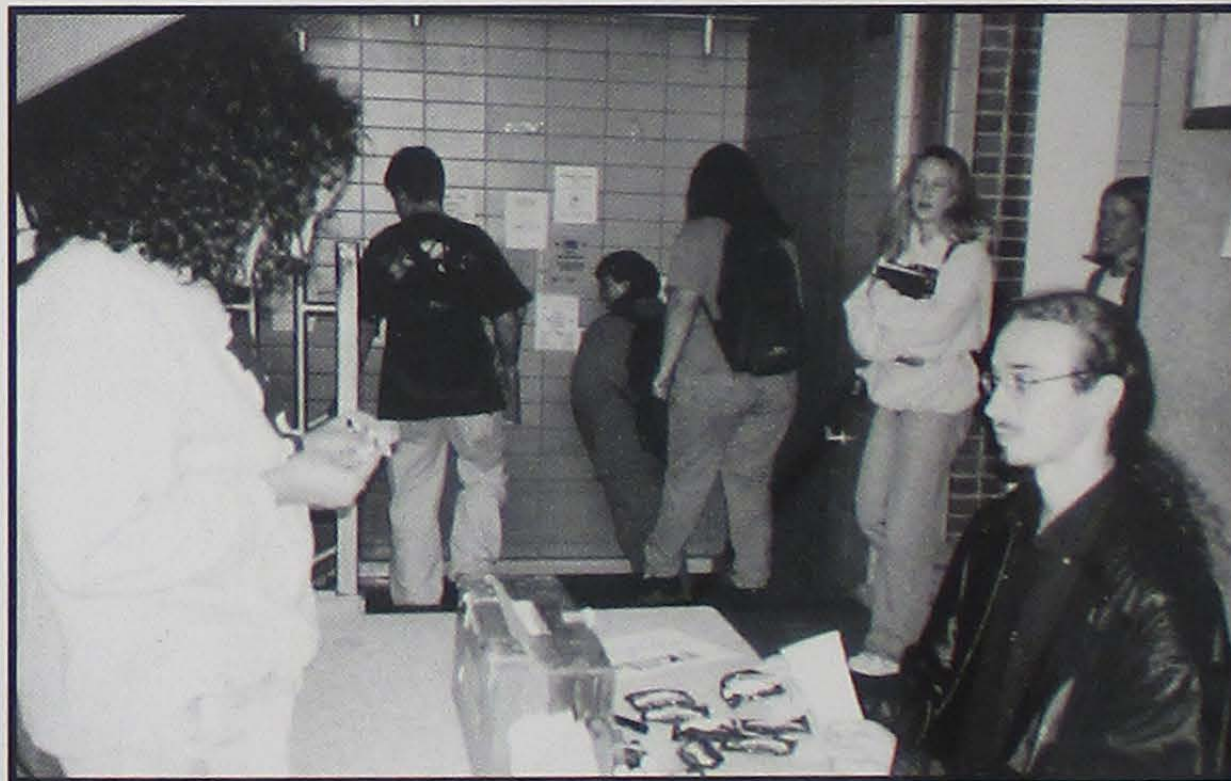


Junior **April Berg** helps set up for Act I prior to an *Our Town* play rehearsal. Play practice lasted from 1 to 3 hours depending on the goals for that night. (photo by Amy Chung)



Sophomores **Erin Walker**, **Katie Gerbracht**, **Rachel Teas**, and **Kristi Wass** encourage each other to the finish line during the freshman/sophomore portion

of the CIML conference meet. The freshman/sophomore team placed first in the conference meet. (photo by Beth Peterson)



Senior **Brooke Johnson** buys rainbow-colored Skittles from senior **Seth Bacon** in support of Coming Out Week. Bacon was one of the many Spectrum members who sacrificed his free periods to

raise money for the group. The rainbow-colored Skittles represented lesbian/gay bisexual and trans-gender pride and the diversity of all humanity. (photo by Amy Chung)

WEDNESDAY

13

THURSDAY

B&G/CC Conf Meet
4:00pm
9th FB Johnston 5:00pm
VB Dowling 6:00pm

FRIDAY

15
FB @ Johnston 7:30pm
ISU Orchestra Festival

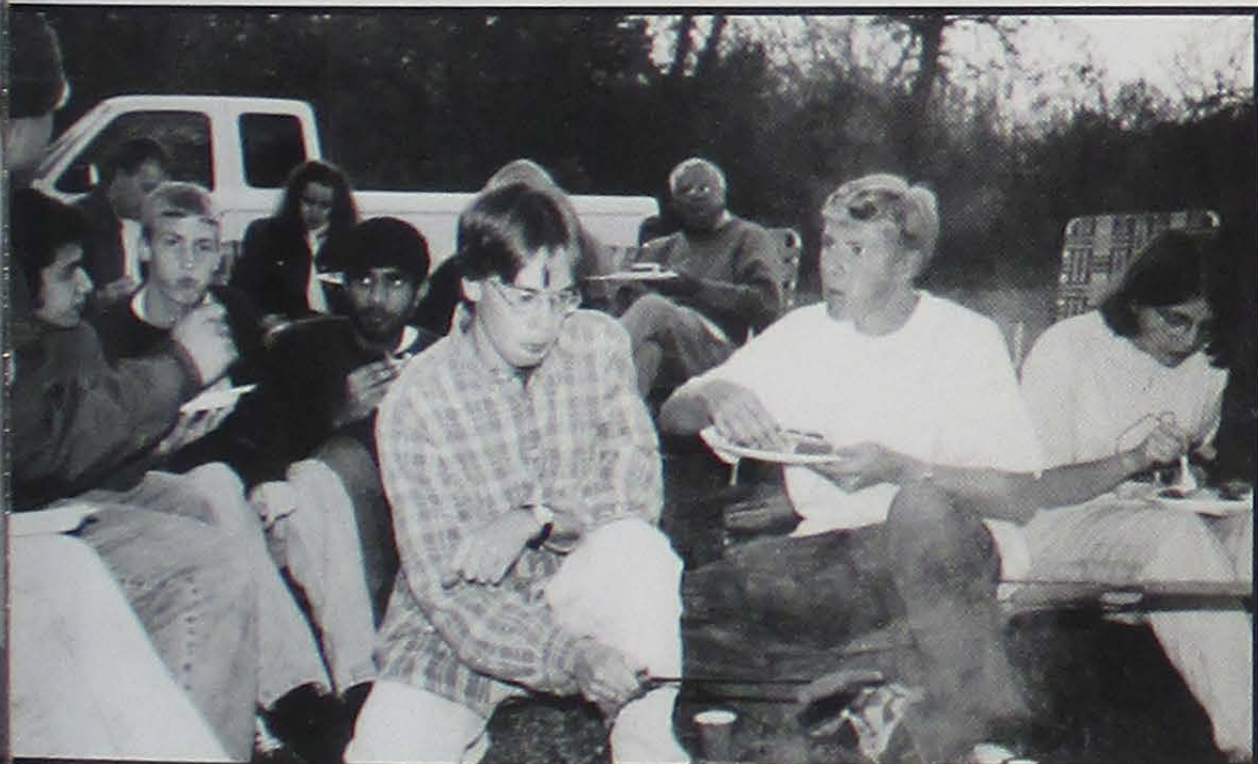
SATURDAY

16
10/VB @ Indianola Tourn
ISU Orchestra Festival
VB @ Knoxville Tourn



Varsity defensive football players await instructions for the next play during their game against Johnston. The three team mottos for

the season were: *The Pack Principle*, *11 Men Play With One Heartbeat* and *Every Man is a Brick*. (photo by Samantha Dorr)



Senior **Andy Struck-Marcell** licks his lips while roasting a hot dog over a campfire. Struck-Marcell attended the twelfth annual Honors English 12 Poetry Bonfire, traditionally hosted by Keith Carlson,

an Honors English 12 teacher. "It was a neat evening and a different way to see students in action. Sitting in the woods reading poetry was very dramatic," Carlson said. (photo by Sam Dorr)



Junior **Lindsay Erickson** paints a smile on the face of her pumpkin. Later that day, members of Key Club delivered 35 pumpkins to a nursing home. "We knew

that the homes would be interested in fall decorations, so we thought we'd help," senior Key Club President **Stephanie Schmalz** said. (photo by Amy Chung)



Junior **Patricia Smith** shows junior **Shannon Holt** problem-solving strategies on a Preliminary Scholastic Aptitude Test review packet. Students studied various reviews to familiarize themselves with the basics of the

test. The PSAT had two purposes: to prepare students for the SAT, and to qualify students ranking in the top one percent of their class for National Merit Scholarships. (photo by Julie Prindle)

October

SUNDAY

17
National School Bus Safety Week

MONDAY

18
VB Districts
Choral Concert 7:30pm

TUESDAY

JV/B&G/CC Ames Invite
4:30pm
G/SW Newton 5pm
VB Newton 6pm
VB Districts

Mr. Uetz vs. Homer Simpson Who Would Win A Thumb War?

Compiled by Amanda Burke and Caitlin Clark

47% of you voted in favor of your favorite pop culture icon, Homer Simpson.

"Homer would win, because all that fat has to translate to something!"

-anonymous sophomore

"Homer Simpson, because he's radioactive!"

-sophomore Nick Redmond

53% of you voted in favor of your favorite AHS teacher, Mr. Uetz.

"I don't think Homer Simpson has thumbs. Mr. Uetz would be one up on him."

-seniors Melissa Heer and Ben Stover

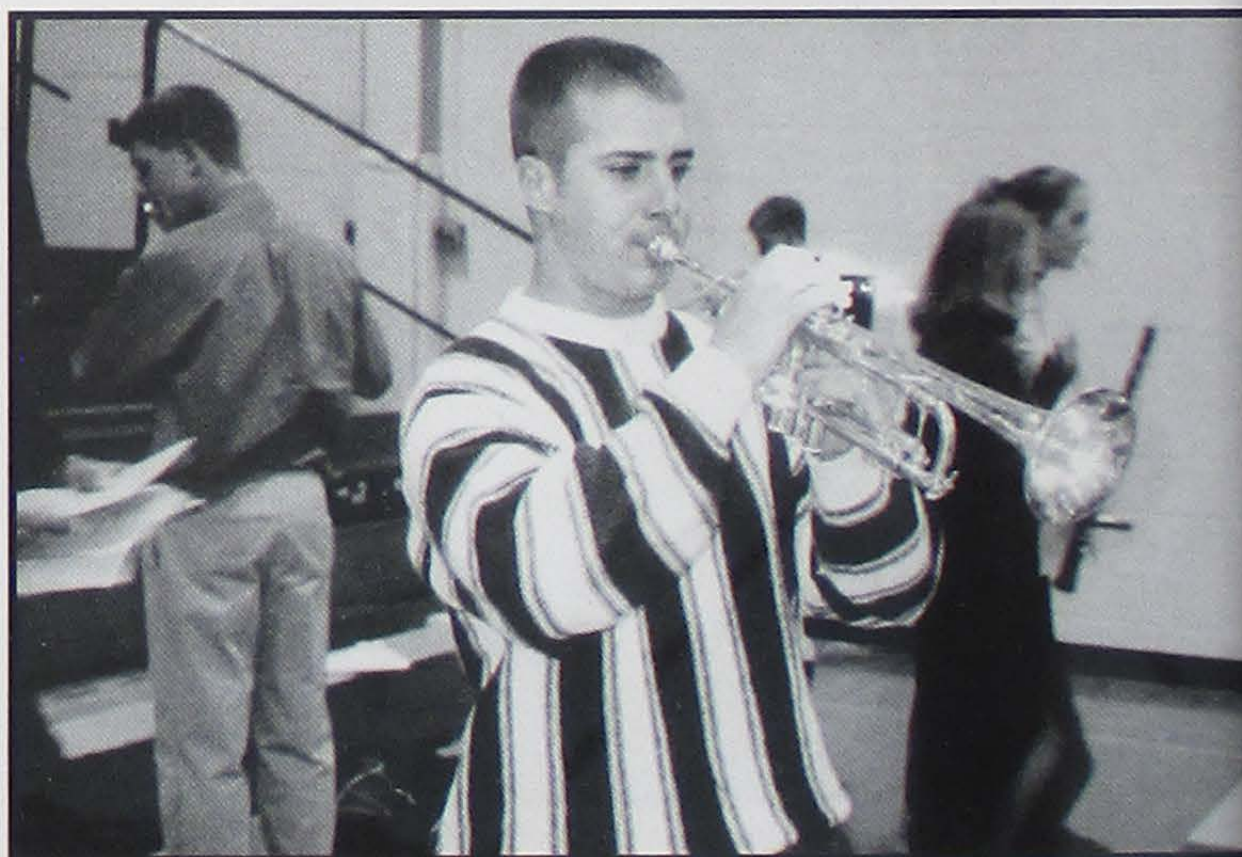
"Well, considering we all know how buff Homer Simpson is...it'd be Uetz."

-anonymous freshman



Chorus members wait in anticipation for their upcoming performance at the choral concert. They sang a variety of songs ranging from classics to new contemporary music. "It was nerve-racking be-

cause it was our first performance. However, I think we did really well, and it gave us a good feel for what we needed to work on," sophomore **Caitlin Clark** said. (photo by Mike Freiberg)



Junior **Dan Jones** belts out a scale in preparation for his All-State audition. All-State auditions consisted of an initial audition followed by call backs if needed.

Contestants claimed that no one wanted to be called back because this meant more competition for fewer openings and another tryout. (photo by Julie Song)

WEDNESDAY

20
VB Districts

THURSDAY

9/FB Newton 5pm
VB @ Ankeny 6pm
VB Districts
All-State Ensemble Recital
(Chorus)

FRIDAY

22
End of 1st Nine Weeks
(44 days)
FB @ Newton 7:30pm

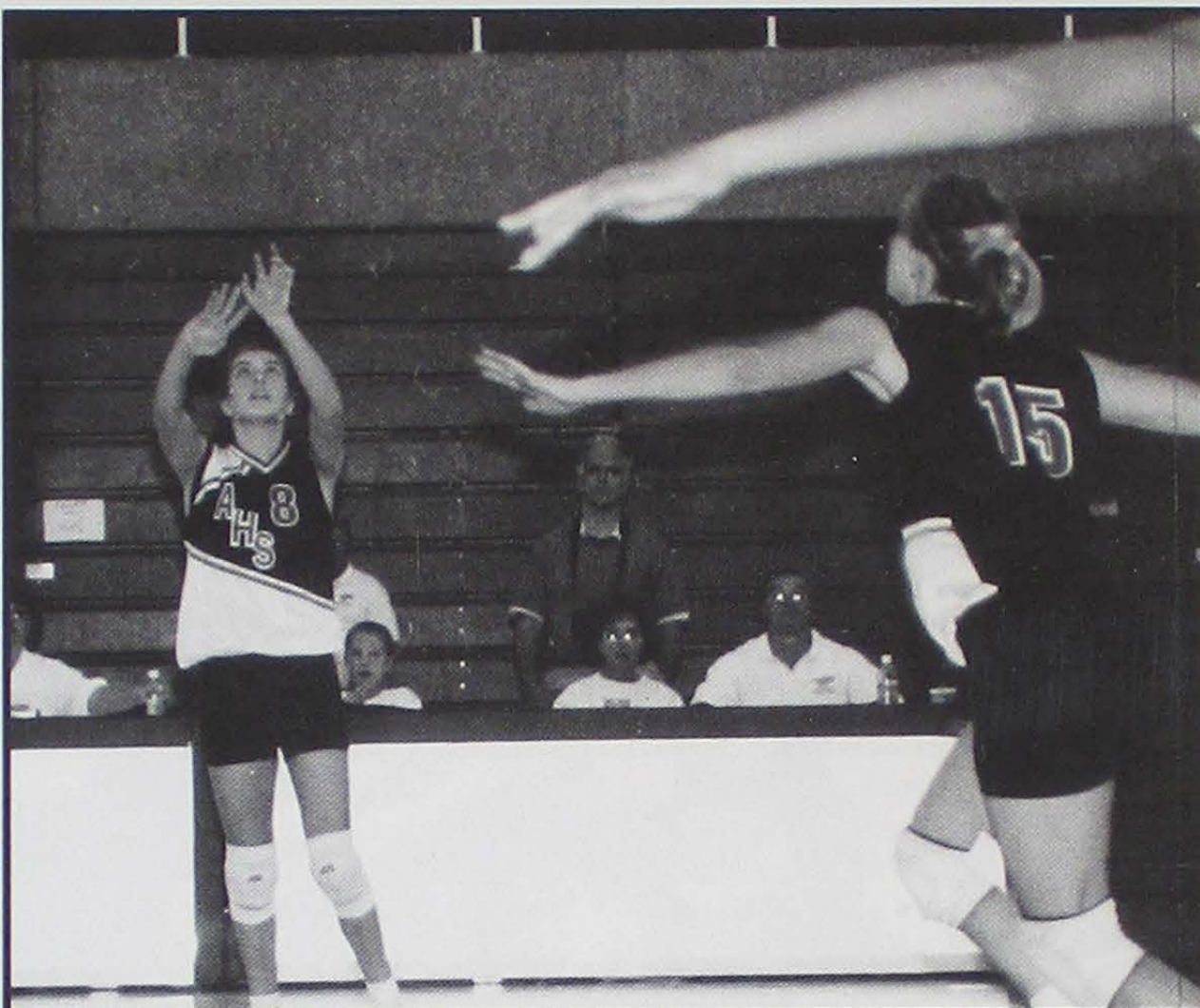
SATURDAY

23
G/SW Conf @
Marshalltown
ACT Testing
All-State Auditions
(Chorus/Band/Orchestra)



Sophomores **Ian Chidister** and **Derek Martin**, freshman **Ben Cheney** and junior **Mike Heitzman** try their luck during All-

State tryouts. Playing cards was one way that students relieved stress during the all-day event. (photo by Julie Song)



Senior **Sarah Tapper** sets the ball for her teammate junior **Megan Morrow**. The varsity volleyball team lost to Ankeny in

the conference championship game, placing second in the conference. (photo by Melisse Owen)

Who Made All-State?

The following participants made All-State in their given area

BAND

Brian Anderson
Megan Berning
Kristina Boysen
Peter Chimenti
Dan Haug
Mimi Ho
Margie Mathison
Brittany Prater
Julie Song

CHOIR

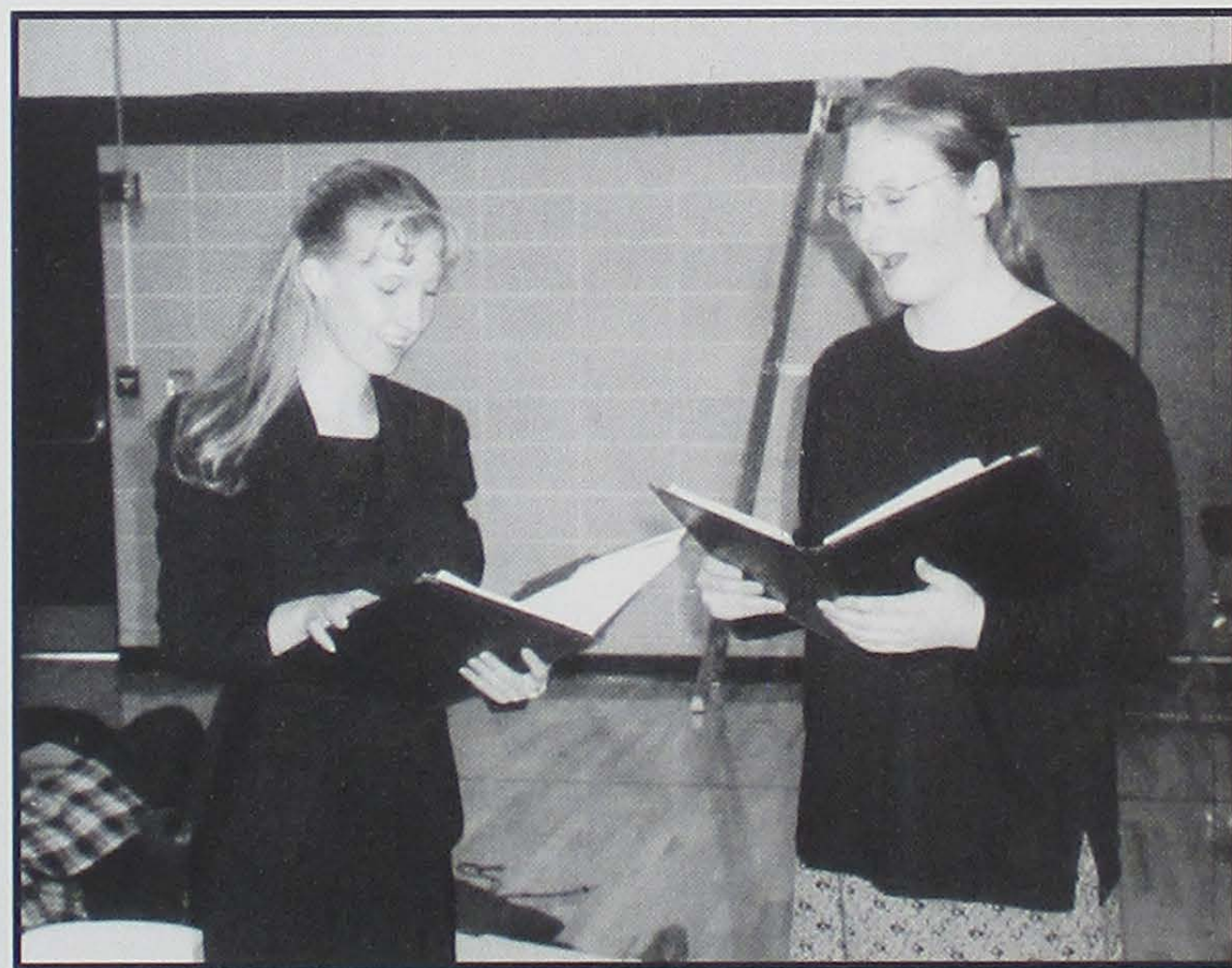
Ben Cheney
Amy Hronek
Aki Nakagawa
Anne Shelley
Adam Webb

ORCHESTRA

Sarah Beisser
Doug Choi
Neha Kothari
Jen Lowry
Dekel Luban
Sarah Miller
Dipayan Mitra
Gretchen Theesfield



Junior **Erin Martin** participates in the national "Make A Difference Day" by raking leaves for the elderly. (photo by Amy Chung)



Sophomore **Mary Kolner** and freshman **Emily Smith** warm-up for All-State tryouts. Vocal music contestants found that preparation was almost as important as the actual audition.

Prior to the drive to Marshalltown, where the auditions were held, the students met at Perkins to wake up and focus on the challenging day ahead. (photo by Julie Song)

October

SUNDAY

24
United Nations Day

MONDAY

25
Workshop Day-No
School
VB Districts
JV/FB Dowling

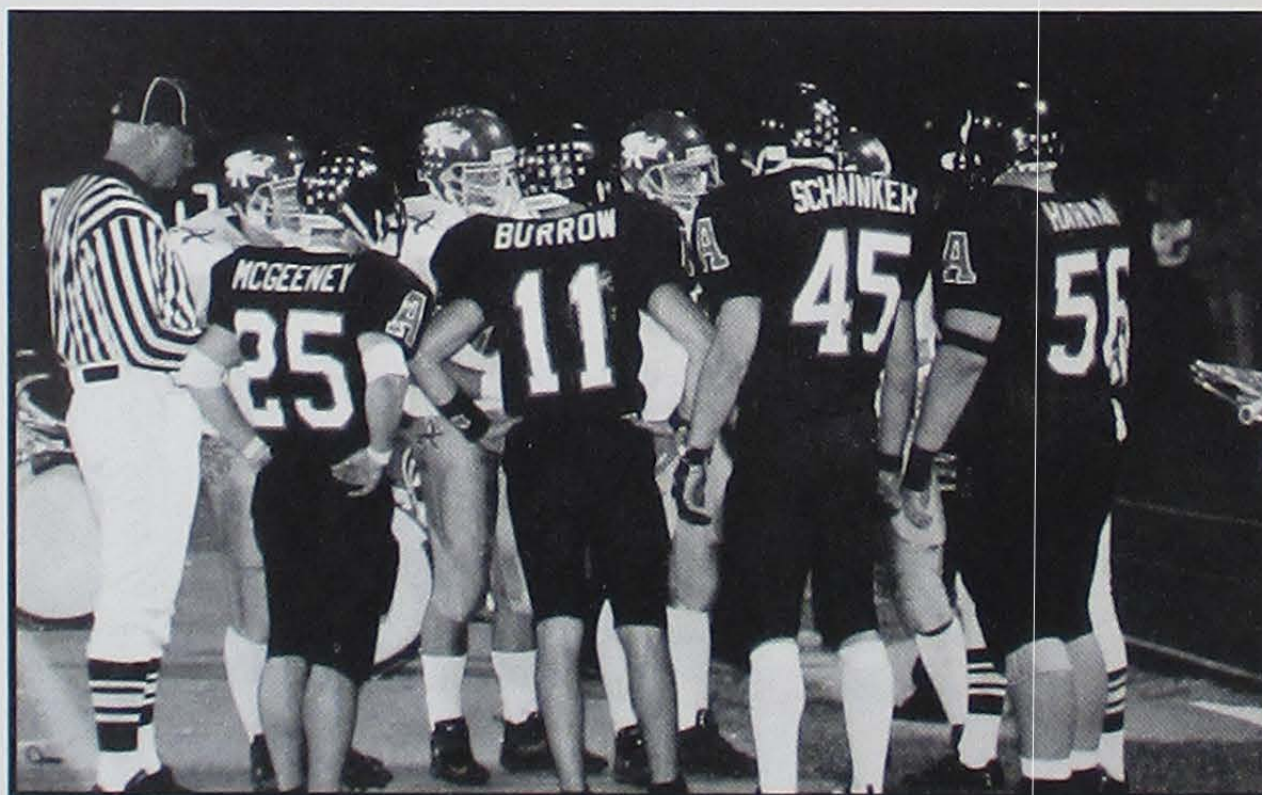
TUESDAY

26
Volleyball Districts



Senior **Meagan Harms** dives to bump the ball while junior **Lisa Corley** looks on in the district volleyball match against

Boone. Many fans from both teams dressed to show their team spirit and rile the crowd. (photo by Melisse Owen)



Senior varsity football captains **Curt McGeeney**, **Dan Burrow**, **Kevin Schainker**, and **Richie Harmon** face off against Ankeny captains around a referee for the pregame

coin toss. The captains proved to be a vital part of the team because they showed leadership both on and off the field. (photo by Sam Dorr)

TIME TO SHINE

Fall sports come to a close

By Ben Stover

As the fall season turned white and future goals were in sight, fall sports teams prepared for district and state competitions.

For the cross country teams, things started to come together just in time for the state meet. After finishing second (boys) and third (girls) at districts, both teams were ready for great races at State. After all was said and done, the boys' team ended up 4th, while the girls were 18th.

With only two letter-winners that did not graduate, four sophomores (**Levi** and **Lincoln Nichols**, **Casey Winkleblack** and **Jon Myers**) stepped up to the challenge, completing the varsity seven. "If it weren't for the sophomores we would not have gotten to where we were," senior **Nick Roberts** said. Roberts himself finished with a new school record for the 5K of 15:28 at state.

Like the cross country team, the football team showed focus on future goals. A reminder of that focus came from the shirts players wore throughout the season, signifying the emphasis on the finals. (FOCUS: 11.19.99)

Coming into the final game of the regular season with a 5-3 record, the team needed a win to go to the playoffs. With Ankeny's record (6-2) close to their own, players and fans alike knew that it would be a tough game. Nevertheless, Ames swept the Little Hawks in a 21-7 victory. "We felt that we had to beat [Ankeny] to show we were better than them," junior **Chris Parrish** said. "In that aspect it felt like a playoff game."

Continuing the fighting spirit, the girls' swim team came into the height of the season with 4 first places, second places and one fourth place. With this in mind, the team was confident for the upcoming competition. "We were excited because we had trained hard [for districts] and we knew that we would do well," junior **Erin Belcher** said. Saturday, the girls proved this by finishing third at districts, qualifying them for state in many events.

The only slice that was taken during the boys' golf team season was their mid-season, 8-meet winning streak. "We felt really strong this year and our season showed that," senior **Daniel Jeong** said. The varsity squad went on to get tenth at state.

The driving force for the varsity volleyball squad was the precedent that was set by the previous year's success. "The upperclassmen had to step up and set an example for us," senior **Kristin Brown** said. "We found out quickly what it meant to be on varsity." The team finished the season with a 24-9-3 record, losing to Boone in the second round of Districts.

Also preparing for competition was the cheer squad. The sixteen-girl squad competed Saturday at American Cheerleading Federation's Midwest Open competition. The girls placed second despite injuries that threatened their performance.

Overall, the time athletes put in during the final week of practices paid off, and the fall teams met their competition with strength and confidence.

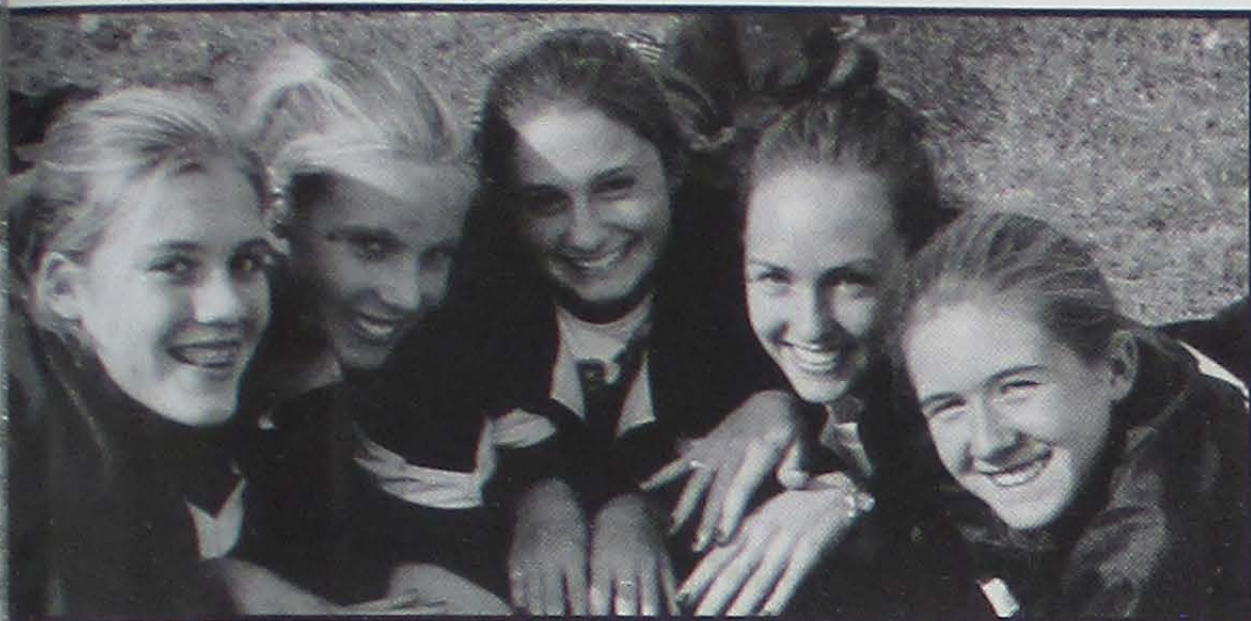
WEDNESDAY**THURSDAY****FRIDAY****SATURDAY**

27
Welcome to Wednesday
VB Districts

28
9/FB @ Ankeny
4:30pm
VB Districts

29
FB Ankeny 7:30pm
(Parents' Night)

30
B&G/CC State
G/SW Districts



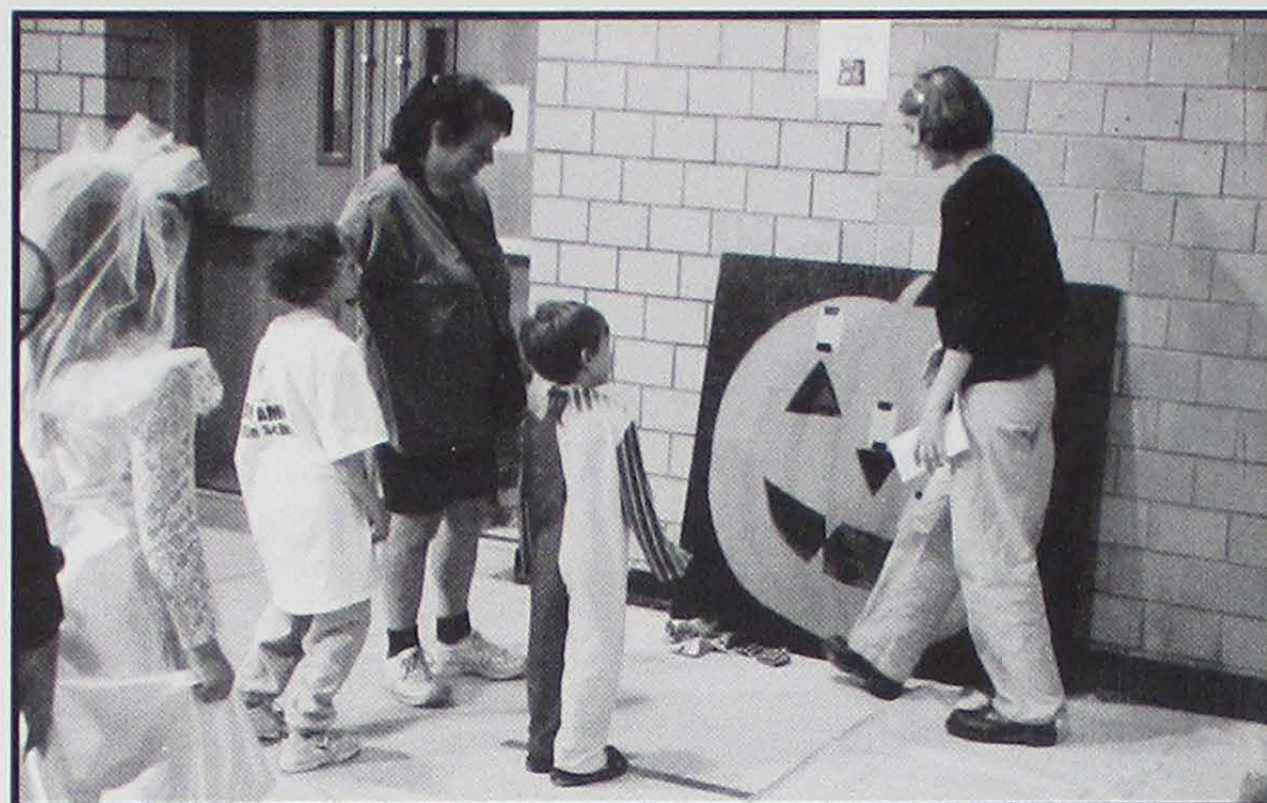
Varsity girls' cross country members, juniors **Erica Lynn**, **Katie Naeve**, sophomore **Brooke Sornsen**, senior **Jill Larson** and junior **Julie Reger**, show off their

painted nails before the state meet. Freshmen **Jessi Swaim** and **Kristin Emery** also ran in the meet. (photo courtesy of Erica Lynn)



Senior **Alec Otteman** uses the downhill terrain to his advantage in the State Cross Country Championship. Although they did not count for the team score, the sixth

and seventh men from each team could take points from other teams by passing their opponents, therefore; playing an important role. (photo by Ben Stover)



Senior **Maya Anderson** runs the bean bag toss at a Halloween party for the young children of the community. The event was sponsored by Ames Park and Recreation and run by staff members along with volun-

teers from various schools. Many members of Key Club contributed in spreading the Halloween spirit. Anderson, a member of Key Club, came out to lend a helping hand. (photo by Amy Chung)

What Was Your Best Halloween Costume?

Compiled by Melissa Heer

"I dressed up as Little Bo Peep and my brother was the sheep. I loved having my older brother crawl along beside me."
-freshman **Amy Noxon**

"A member of the MAFIA rotting and decaying for 20 years. I had a violin case, a black suit and green, black and purple face paint. The best part was my greased back hair."
- sophomore **Amy Hielt**

"When I was 12, I dressed up as a woman. I got to shave my legs."
-junior **Justin Abbott**

"Well, one time I couldn't think of what to be. Then, while I was watching a TV commercial, it hit me. I should be the Clairol shampoo lady!"
- senior **Erin Peiffer**

Oct/Nov

SUNDAY

31
Halloween
Standard Time Begins
(set clocks back one hour)

MONDAY

1
School Board Meeting
6:30 pm
VB Regionals

TUESDAY

2
VB Regionals
Election Day

FREEDOM OF EXPRESSION

Are students granted their rights?

By Amanda Burke and Mike Freiberg

As American citizens, freedom is a right guaranteed to each and every one of us by the Constitution. As high school students, we are at a time in our lives when we need guidance and support, but also freedom to express ourselves and discover our own individuality. It's a fine line that must be walked by the administration of Ames High School - but are they doing their job with our best interests in mind?

One issue that hit our school involved senior **Brandon Dunmire** who wore makeup to school and was said to have been given an ultimatum by one of his teachers: take it off or leave the building. He left the building, saying later that he only "wore the makeup for fun."

Later that day and throughout the next, angry students began voicing their protest by applying makeup to their own faces. Many wondered whether or not their first amendment rights had been violated. "Students do have first amendment rights, but when a student comes with an individual concern we must put that student first. We have to do what is best for the entire group but also what is best for the individual," principal **Chuck Achter** said.

The cancellation of this year's winter play also caused many students to become disillusioned. Director **Connie Ringlee**, who also supervised Speech Club, felt that the club suffered because of her responsibilities to the Drama Department. Together with En-

glish teacher **Sean Sabo**, director of the fall and spring plays, and assistant principal **Diane Holdsworth**, the final decision was made to cut the play.

Although senior **Ben Stark** presented solutions to every known problem, the administration would not budge. "They just were not comfortable with such a large, completely student-run, production," Thespian President Stark said.

Regardless of whether or not the core issues of each of these problems were solved, the students who felt their rights had been violated had the chance to be heard. If nothing else, they were forced to look into an issue that will continue to ask for interpretation and improvement.



Sophomore **Stacy Schiltz** was one of many students who wore makeup Thursday, the day after rumors spread about senior **Brandon Dunmire**. Dunmire was said to have been thrown out of school disrupting classes after wearing face makeup. However, the administration clarified that other factors contributed to his dismissal. (photo by Rita Carter)

Freedom of Expression - How Does Ames High Rate?

Compiled by Melissa Heer and Lindsay VanFleet

"If you look at Ames, compared to other places, we definitely have freedom of expression. We have the freedom to voice our opinion in visual aspects as well as speech. For example, the principal doesn't censor our school newspaper."
-senior **Adam Crumpton**

"I think our school as a whole is fairly open-minded, but sometimes there can be danger in a high school environment when people express unconventional views."
-junior **Alex S. Rundle**

"I think freedom of expression is really restricted in our school. Only those who are normal, trendy, and hang out in big groups are respected."
-sophomore **Bennit Stone**

"As a writing teacher, I believe in freedom of expression. There is a difference, however, between expressing yourself and hurting people intentionally with words."
-English teacher **Sean Sabo**

WEDNESDAY

FB Playoffs (1st Round)
VB Regionals

THURSDAY

VB Regionals
Marching Band
Spectacular 7:30pm

FRIDAY

G/SW State

SATURDAY

G/SW State
SAT Testing



Freshmen **Mike Jones**, **Lindy Ellett**, **Andrew Metz**, and **Jon Allen** play the bells during the Marching Band Spec-

tacular on Thursday night. The evening brought the marching band season to a close. (photo by Beth Peterson)



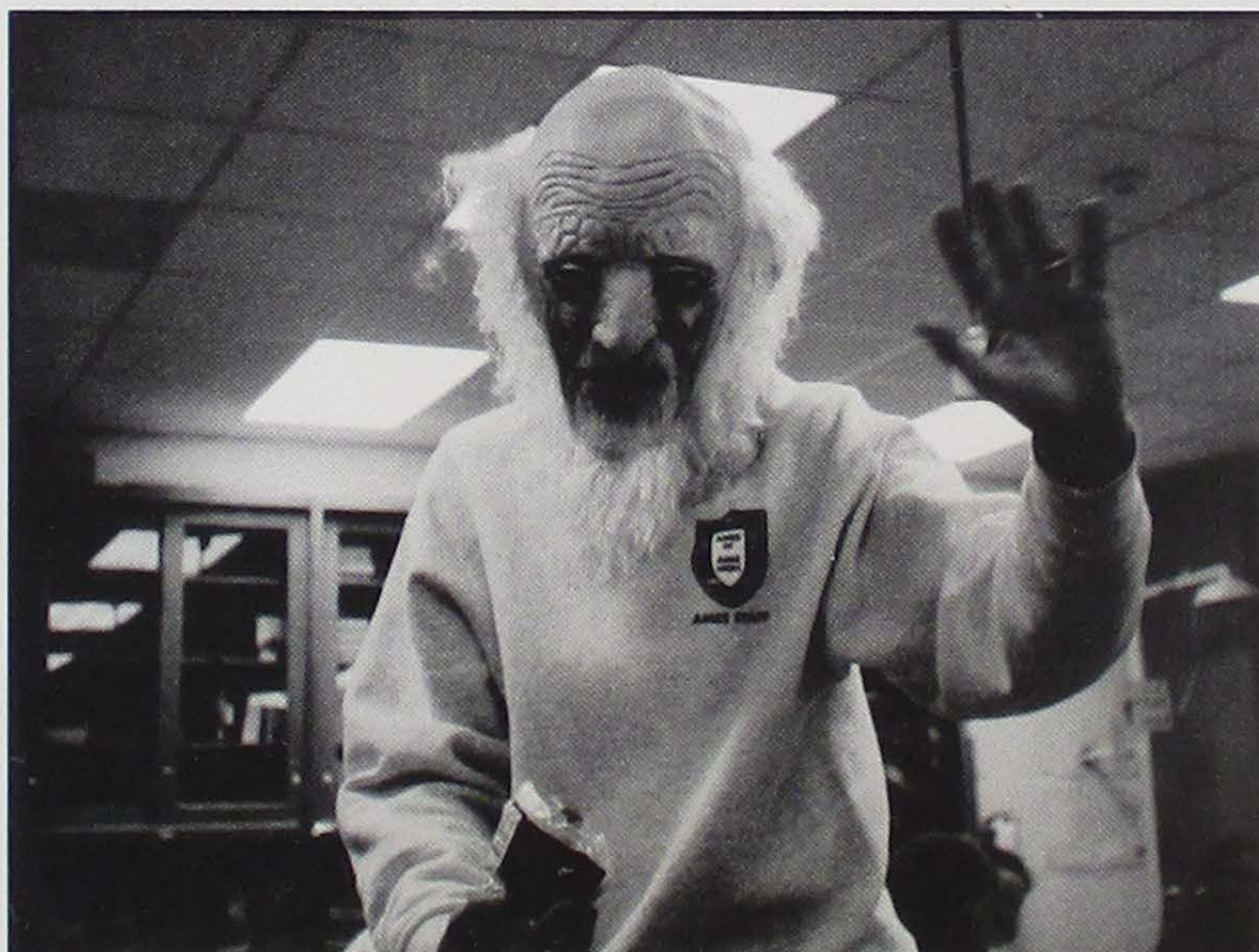
Senior **Dan Carter** runs out from behind teacher **LoAnn Campbell's** bushes on Friday night. Carter, along with many other former Honors American Literature students, was celebrating the anniversary of the dreaded *Scarlet Letter* long form assignment. The annual paper took so much time and effort that it became infamous to every student that took the class. The students met at Campbell's

and reminisced as they waited for the arrival of the juniors that were attempting to turn in their papers before the midnight deadline. Carter painted a scarlet letter on his stomach to represent what the character Hester Prynne was forced to wear in Nathaniel Hawthorne's *Scarlet Letter*. "I realized that my popularity was a direct function of my exhibitionism," Carter said. (photo by Jennifer Oftedal)



Senior **Ava Golchin** plays piano at a variety show for Green Hills Retirement Center. Many students were contacted to perform by Nan Heer, the leisure services coordinator for

Green Hills. Guitars, bassoons, saxophones, violins, skits and vocal musicians were all brought to the home on Saturday. (photo by Jennifer Oftedal)



Hiding behind his Albert Einstein mask, Survey of Physics teacher **Mike Peterson** attempts to scare his class. Each year around Halloween, Peterson entertained

his students with Physics jokes and candy. The students responded with mixed emotions ranging from laughter to fear. (photo by Julie Prindle)

November

SUNDAY

7

MONDAY

G/BB 1st Practice
FB Playoffs (Quarter
Finals)
Youth Appreciation Week
(8th - 14th)

TUESDAY

9

PAC Meeting

Needing some last minute reassurance before her wedding, senior **Kate Downing** (Emily Webb) receives some fatherly encouragement and wisdom from senior **Shawn Sebastian** (Mr. Webb) before he watches her walk down the aisle. Downing found her leading role rewarding. "I got a lot of good reactions. Mr. VanSlyke, my 8th grade teacher, saw it and wrote me a letter," Downing said. (photo by Sam Dorr)



OUR TOWN

Drama Department performs classic American tale

By Susie Goldman

"Participating in drama at Ames High has become a constant in my life," senior **Amir Efrati** (Professor Willard) said, after completing the last of three performances.

Efrati was one of many students chosen to perform in *Our Town*, the story of small town residents challenged by the concepts of life and death.

"I think it was a good play to choose. It was very meaningful, but in a style that anyone could understand," sophomore **Steven Diesburg** said.

Our Town was a serious play that took serious preparation. Rehearsals lasted up to three hours a night.

"I came to rely on the fatigue, nervousness and anxiety that surrounded rehearsals and performances - not to mention the horrid acne attributed to the amount of make-up clogging every pore on my face," Efrati said.

Others had an easier time of it. "Singing in the choir was a fun experience. Since I didn't have any

real lines, I didn't have a chance to get nervous," sophomore **Laura McElherne** said.

Overall, the play went smoothly, despite minor complications. "At the end of the third act, which was a very somber and powerful act, I was supposed to close the play with a little speech," senior **Devon McClurken** (Stage Manager) said.

"While I was talking, there was supposed to be a train whistle, but instead, some rock music came on." Despite the unintentional comic relief, the audience was enthralled by the entire performance.

Some worried the dramatic mood of the play wouldn't be received well by the audience. However, the actors had nothing to fear. "You know something is good if you get emotional. I cried, so that means it was great," sophomore **Sarah Benson** said.

In the end, the classic American tale was put on with as much sincerity as the original production. The drama program deserved a standing ovation for this one.

THE CAST

Stage Manager
George Gibbs
Emily Webb
Dr. Gibbs
Mrs. Gibbs
Rebecca Gibbs
Mr. Webb
Mrs. Webb
Wally Webb
Mrs. Soames
Sam Craig
Joe Stoddard
Howie Newsome
Joe Crowell
Si Crowell
Simon Stimson
Constable Warren
Professor Willard
Baseball Player
Baseball Player
Artistic Lady
Woman in Front
Woman in Back
1st Dead Man
2nd Dead Man
1st Dead Woman
2nd Dead Woman
Assistant Stage Manager
Assistant Stage Manager
Choir
Mona Dalal
Kara Johnson
Veronica Saide
Emily Smith

Anat Shinar
Laura McElherne
Emily Nau
Linnea Woline

Devon McClurken
Ben Stark
Kate Downing
Nathaniel Pleasants
Anna Blaedel
Patricia Smith
Shawn Sebastian
April Berg
Alex Saide
Alexandra Rundle
Jim Van Fleet
Andy Struck-Marcell
Nate Staniforth
Tony Hayes
Tony Hayes
Steven Diesburg
Nathan Lueth
Amir Efrati
Nate Staniforth
Fabian de Kok
Chelsea Fitch
Bryna Dieter
Anat Shinar
Amir Efrati
Danny Rothschild
Veronica Saide
Kara Johnson
Laura McElherne
Bryna Dieter

Tony Hayes
Jenny Hendrickson
Bryna Greenlaw
Kate Vann-Lorenz



Senior **Ben Stark** (George Gibbs) timidly asks senior **Kate Downing** (Emily Webb)

to join him for a soda to celebrate the school election. (photo by Sam Dorr)

WEDNESDAY

10

THURSDAY

11
VB State
Fall Play
Veterans Day

FRIDAY

12
VB State
FB Playoffs (Semifinals)
Fall Play

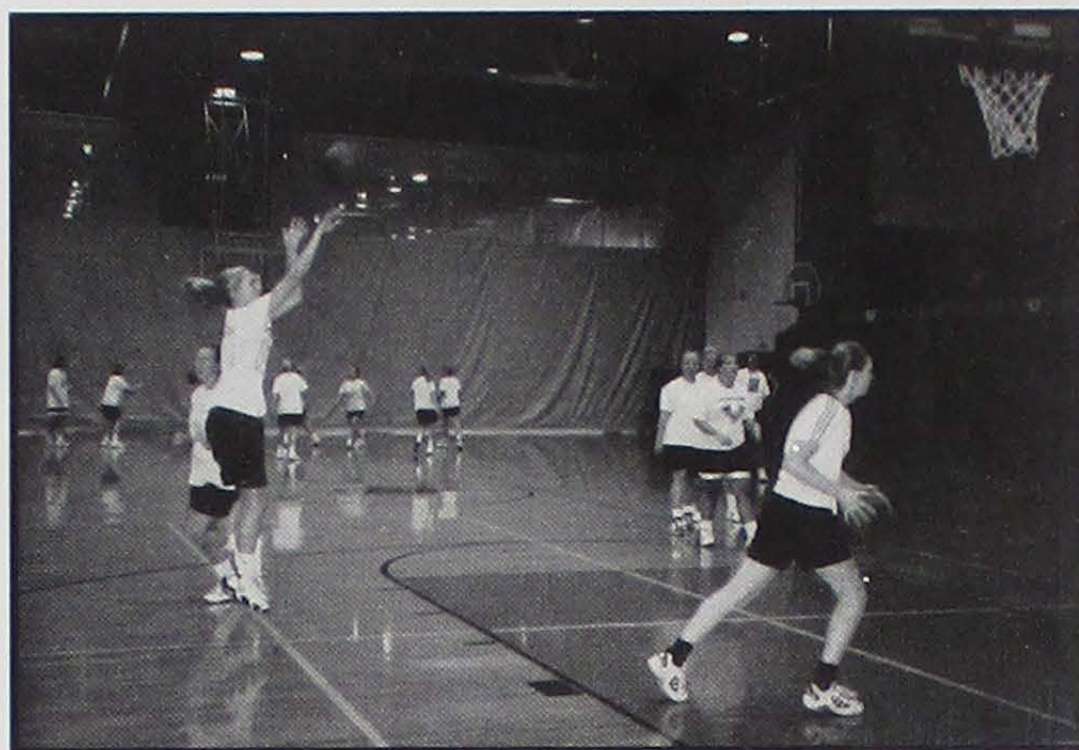
SATURDAY

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VB State
FB Playoffs (Semifinals)
Fall Play



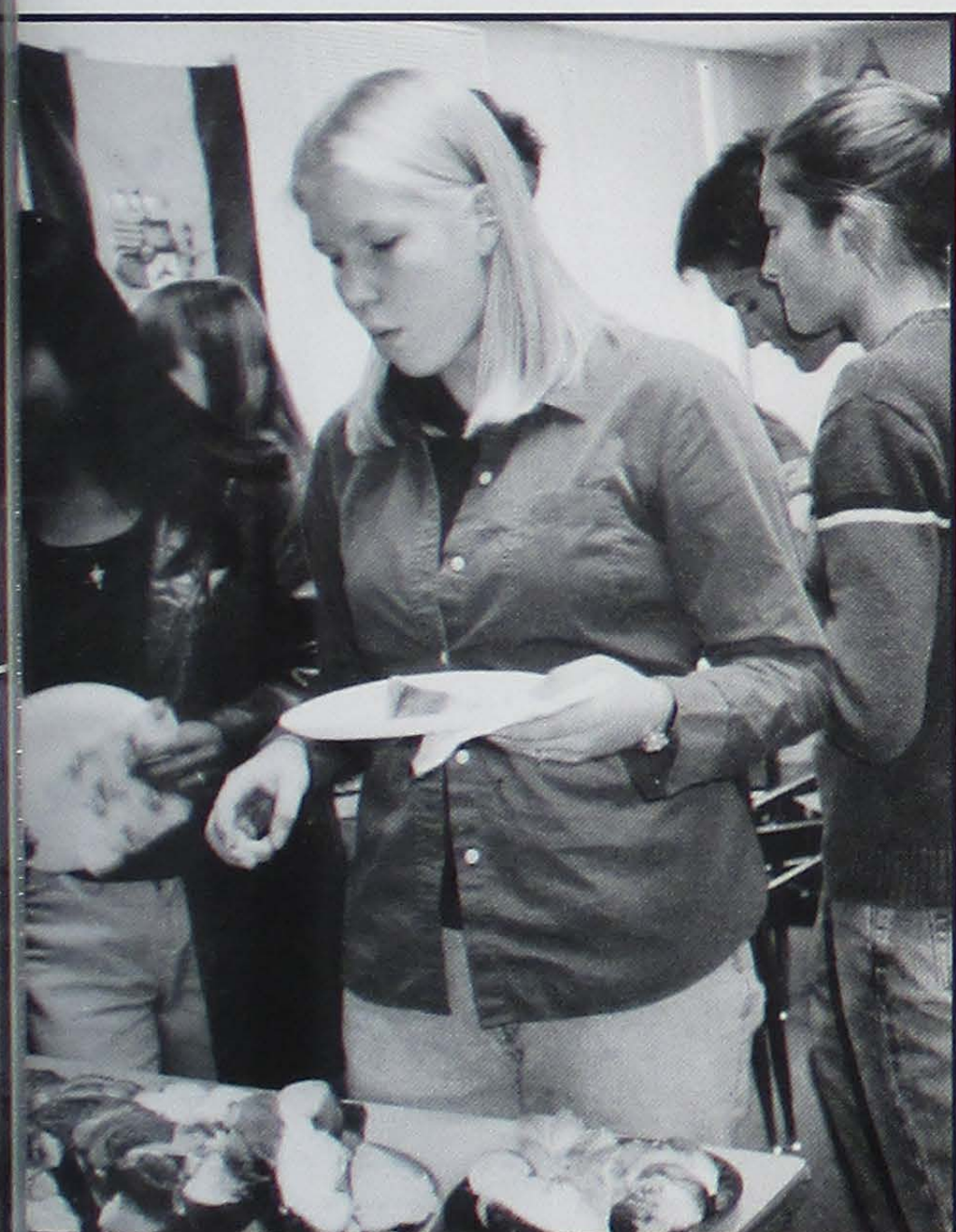
Junior goalie **Elliot Dowling** stops a member of the Kansas City Blades from scoring a goal. The team relied on him for support of a strong defense.

"Elliot was a really good goalie. We were lucky to have him on the team," junior **Matt Swaim** said. (photo by Melisse Owen)



Junior **Megan Morrow** steps up and shoots during one of the first basketball practices of the season. The first

week of workouts was spent getting into shape and preparing for try-outs. (photo by Amy Chung)



sophomore **Valerie Matters** fills up her plate with Spanish goodies during the Spanish II class. The class was celebrating El Dia de Muerto, the Day

of the Dead. Every year students got to taste some of the cultural meals during their language classes. (photo by Julie Prindle)

If You Could Un-Invent Anything What Would It Be?

compiled by Rita Carter and Caitlin Clark

"Panty hose...obviously they were not invented by a man."
-sophomore **Jen Lowry**

"The designated hitter...I love to see pitchers try to bat."
- junior **Jamie Colbert**

"Underwear...so everyone could have complete unrestricted comfort."
- junior **Adam Brown**

"Hair dye...when the box says blonde it means red."
- junior **Anna Duple**, natural blonde

"Sticky notes...then I would re-invent them and become a millionaire."
- junior **Nathan Braymen**

November

SUNDAY

Academic Letter
Convocation
National Geography
Awareness Week
National American
Education Week

MONDAY

School Board Meeting
6:30 pm
B/ SW, WR, B/ BB 1st
Practice
National Children's
Book Week

TUESDAY

16
Winter Kick-Off
National Community
Education Day



While adding detail to her portrait, sophomore **Cassidy Hall** uses her creative talent in **Dorothy Gugel's** advanced painting class. Art classes gave students a break from the books and a moment to

express their artistic abilities. Many art students found that, after taking an art class, they had a greater awareness of the world's unique angles and perspectives. (photo by Rita Carter)



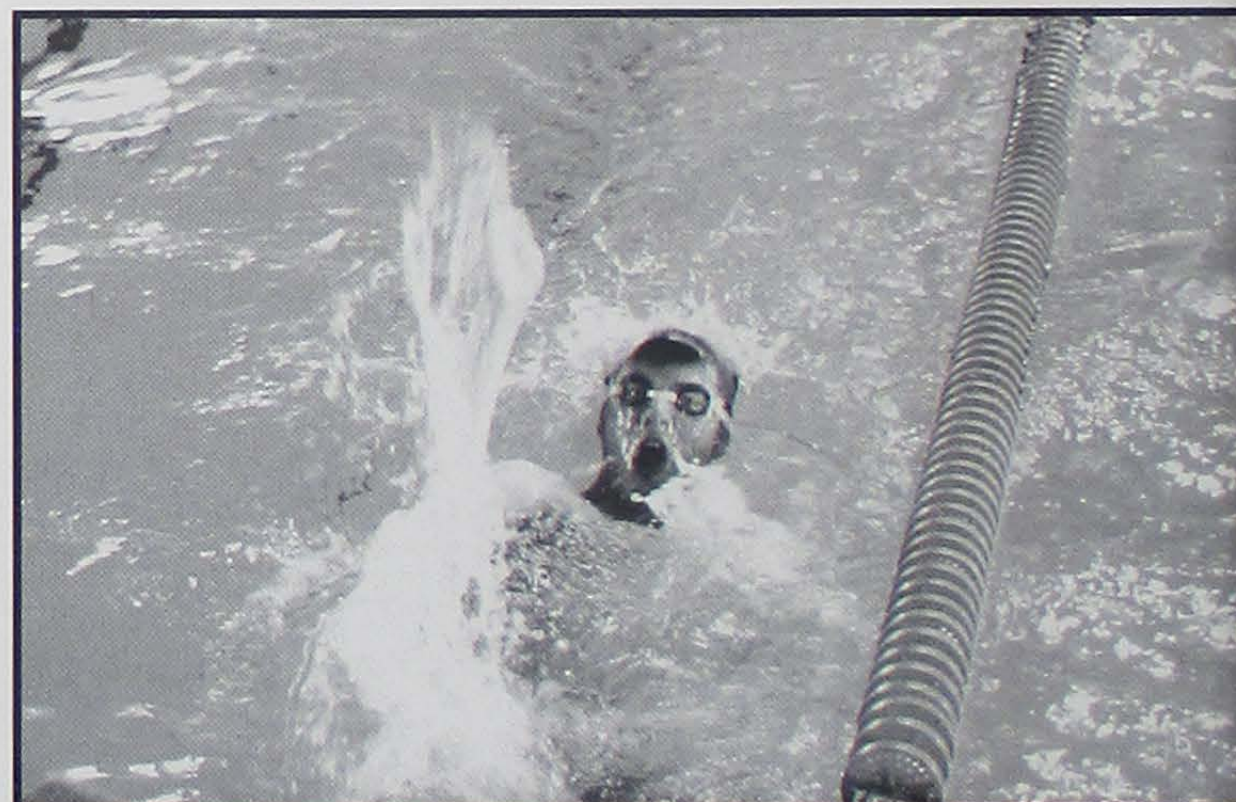
Junior **Amber Foley** receives her academic letter at the Academic Recognition Assembly. In order to earn an academic

letter, a student needed at least a 3.5 cumulative grade point average and be a junior or senior. (photo by Amy Chung)



Another teddy bear lands on the pile as sophomore **Annon Woodin** and freshman **Amanda Doering** sort through bears to decorate the tree at North Grand Mall. The bears were bought with money earned

through Key Club's sucker sales and were donated for the teddy bear tree. The bears were later given as Christmas gifts to less fortunate children in the area. (photo by Amy Chung)



Gasping for air, senior **Matt McDuff** begins a lap of the backstroke during the swim team's first practice. "Our team knew that we had people coming in who would add to the talent and give potential

for a great season. Starting with the first practice, things got together and took shape, and we became the team that we wanted to be," McDuff said. (photo by Mike Freiberg)

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WEDNESDAY

17
National Educational
Support Personnel Day

THURSDAY

18
ISU All-State Festival
OPUS Music Festival
(Chorus)
National Parental Involvement Day

FRIDAY

19
All-State Music Festival
Gettysburg Address
Anniversary

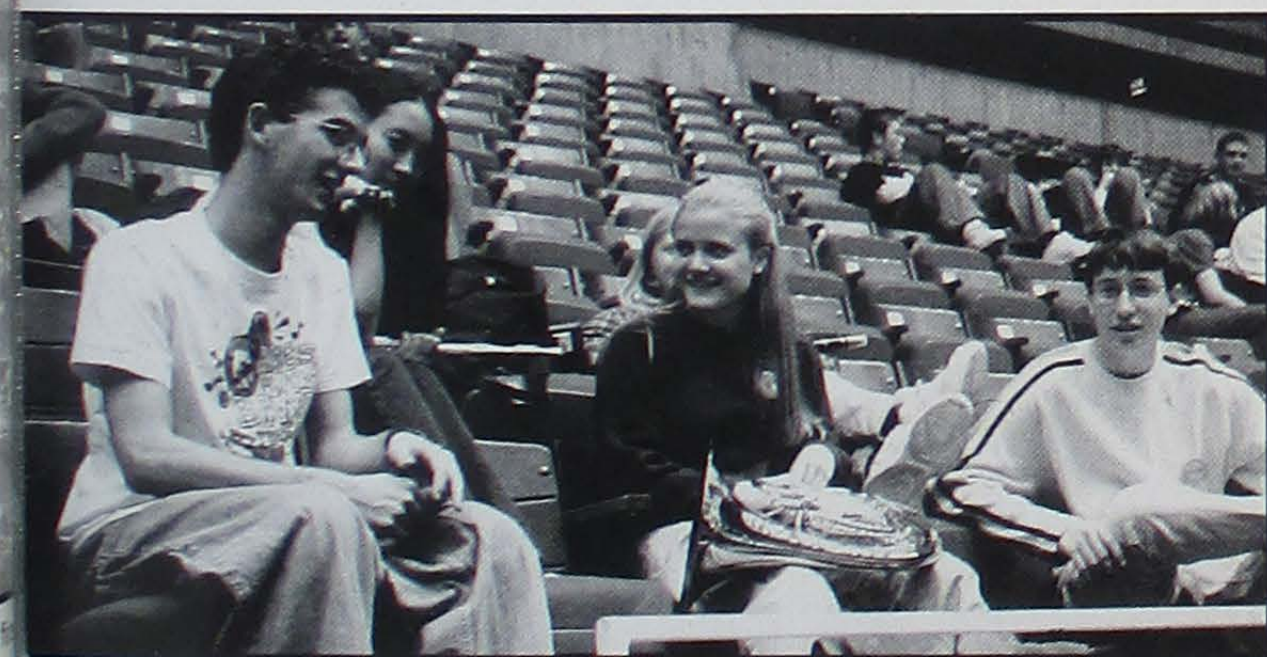
SATURDAY

20
All-State Music Festival
B/ BB CIML Kiwanis Jamb
@ Drake
G/BB CIML Kiwanis Jamb
@ Drake



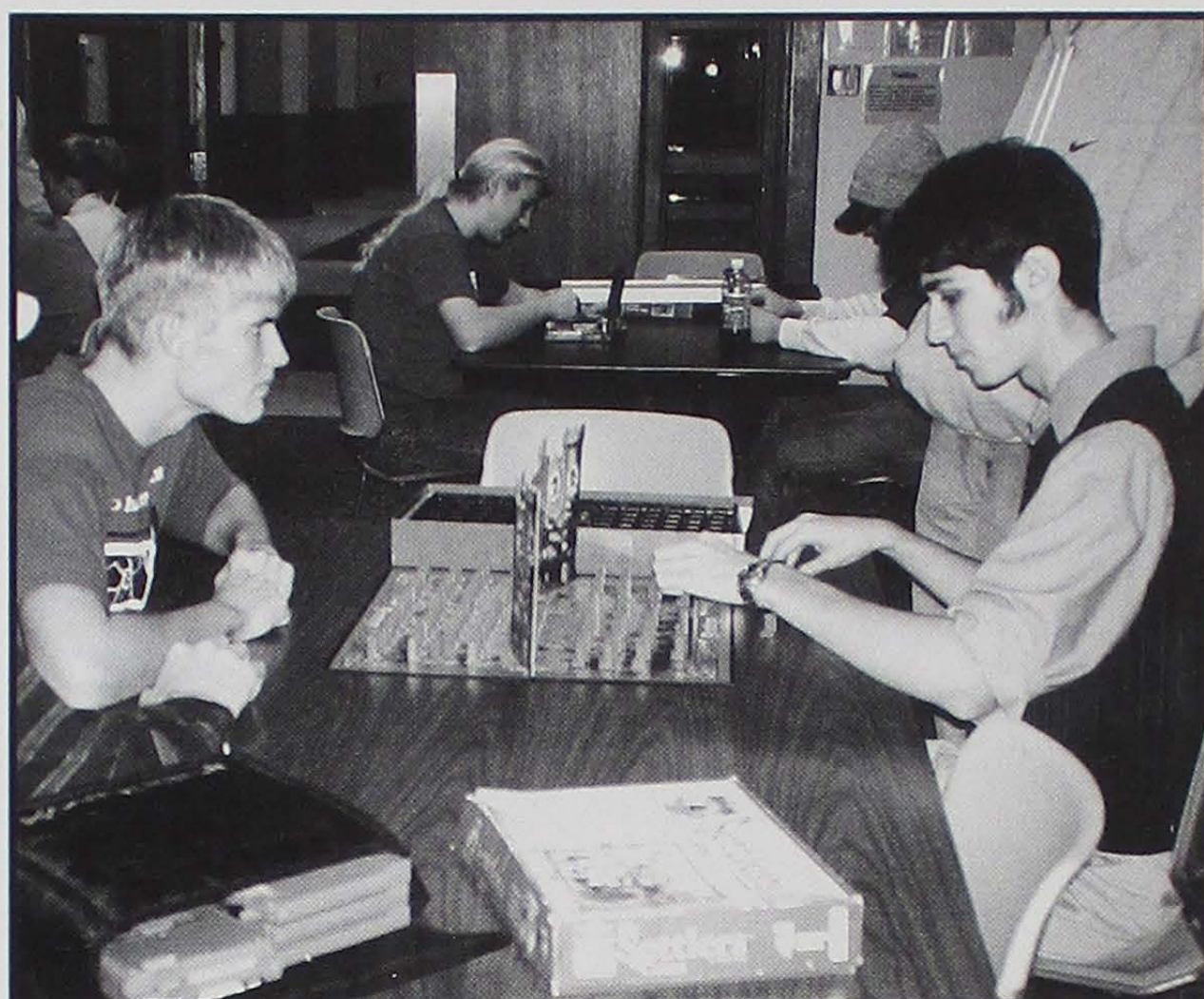
Senior **Annalies van der Valk** flips through CDs at Disc-Go-Round after school. Disc-Go-Round provided students with affordable music while offering

the same selection as more expensive music stores. Students also counted on Disc-Go-Round for rare and outdated CDs. (photo by Sam Dorr)



Juniors **Brian Anderson**, **Margie Mathison**, and **Peter Chimenti** and senior **Mimi Ho** discuss the upcoming All-State concert. The

day was spent practicing with renowned directors and working with musicians from other schools. (photo by Julie Song)



Playing *Stratego*, seniors **Jacek Pruski** and **Mert Akinc** indulge themselves in a competitive game during a Strategic Gam-

ing Club meeting. Strategic Gaming Club met most Saturday afternoons at the Ames Public Library. (photo by A. Chung)



Varsity basketball players practice lay-ups on the first day of practice. The first week of practice was spent drilling the

basics of rebounding, speed, dribbling, defending and shooting. (photo by Mike Freiberg)

November

SUNDAY

21

National Family Week
Hockey vs Sioux City

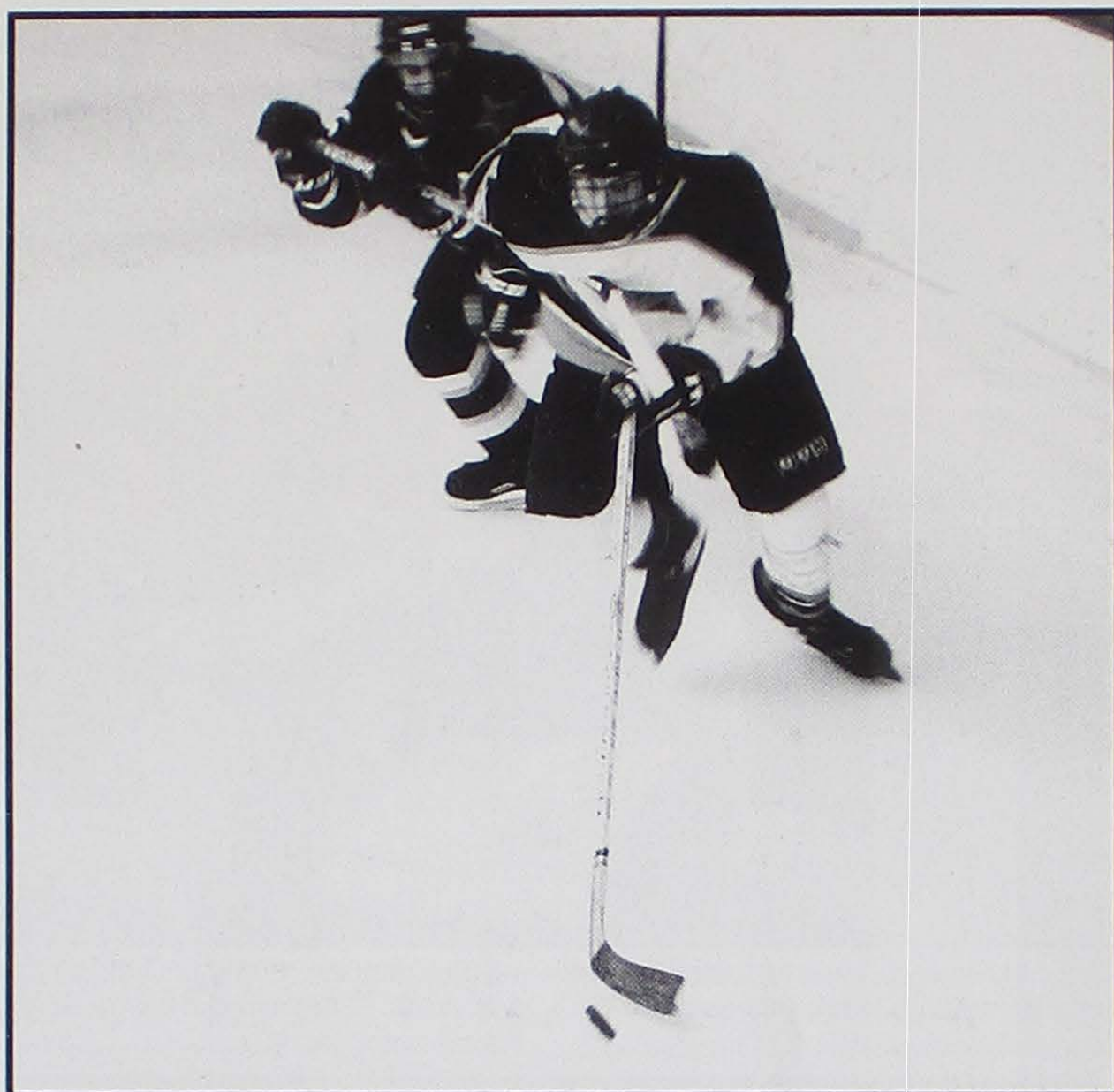
MONDAY

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JV/ G/ BB @ Newton

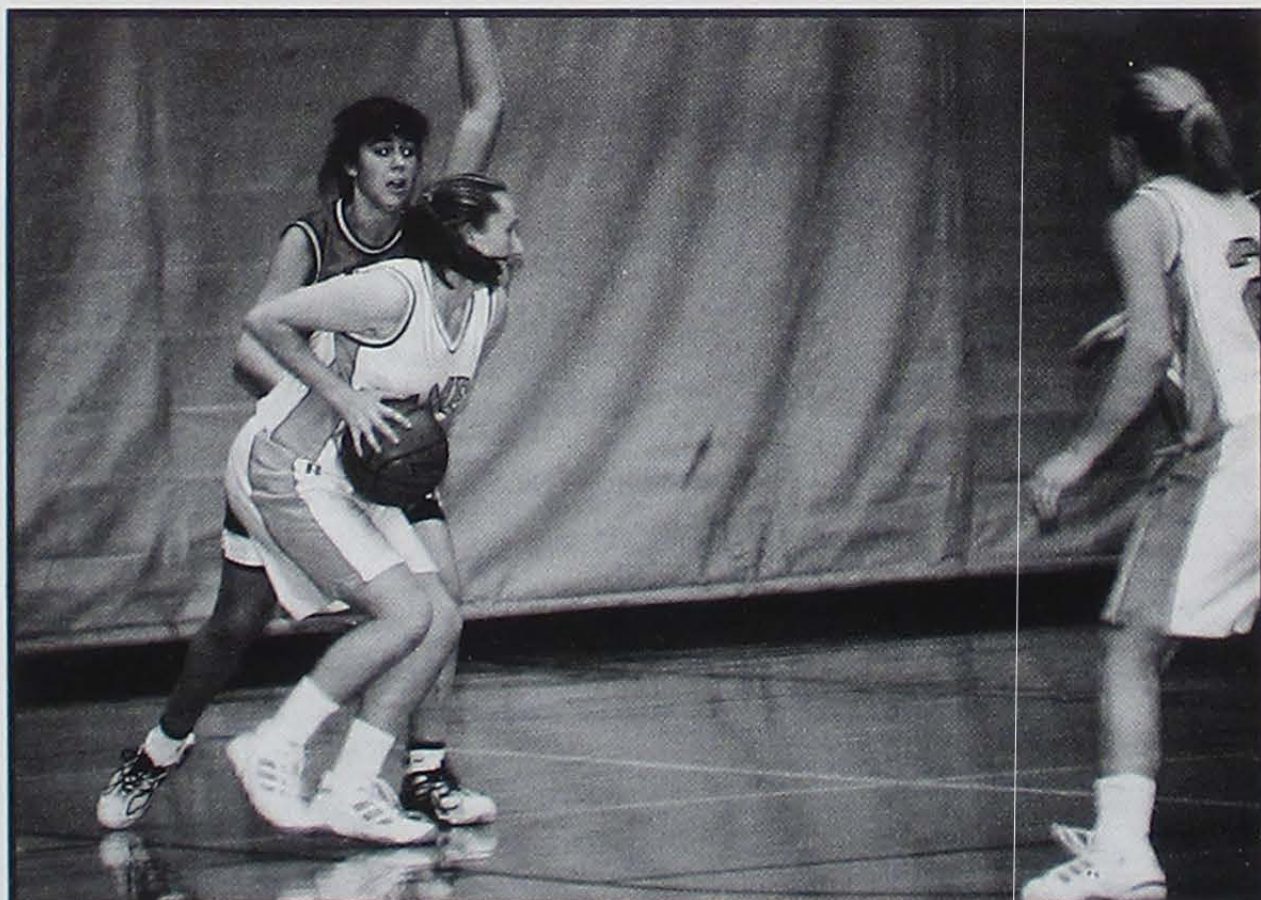
TUESDAY

23



Junior **Mitchell Ridnour** attempts to keep the puck under control while a Des Moines player spears him with his hockey stick.

Despite Ridnour's and his teammates' efforts, the team lost to the Capitols. (photo by Sam Dorr)



Posting in front of an East High defender, senior **Stephanie Schmaltz** looks to pass. "East was a good competitor for us

to test ourselves with at the beginning of the season," Schmaltz said. (photo by Sam Dorr)

ICE TIME

Team unity and seasoned coach brings success

by Sam Dorr

With Ames Hockey coach Mark Rogers no longer a new face on the bench, the hockey team started off to a great season. Many of the team members liked the new style of play that Rogers brought with him into his second season at Ames.

"Rogers was an excellent coach who knew a ton about hockey," senior **Mike O'Connell** said. "If he had coached us for four years we'd have been a completely different and better team," O'Connell added.

The hockey team lost only five seniors from the previous year and had many returning players who had seen a lot of ice time in the past.

"We had a lot of experienced forwards and defensive players,"

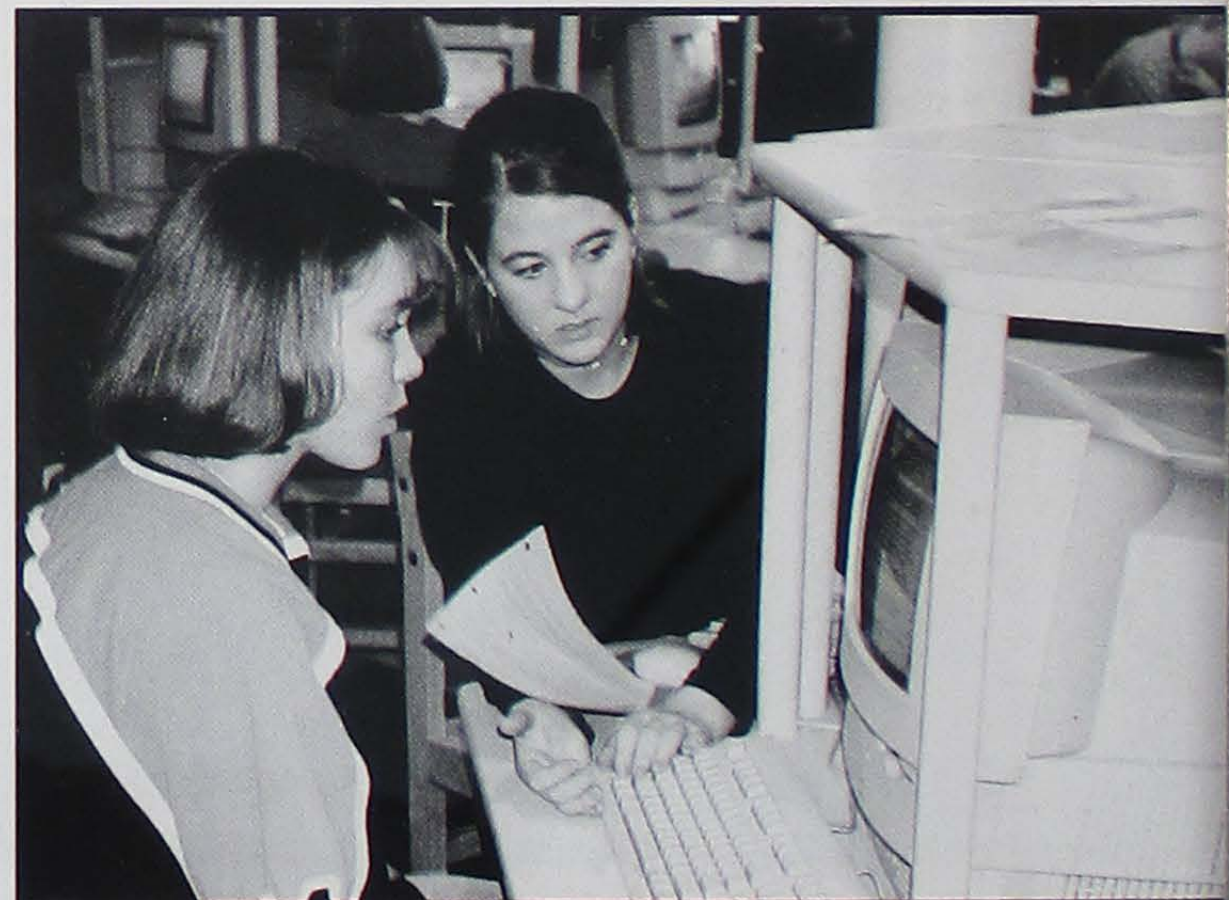
junior forward **Travis Knapp** said. "It was nice because we had played together before."

Team unity was a strong point during the year. By playing well together, the team was a power force that was difficult for opposing teams to handle.

"We had a lot of good players that worked hard and worked together really well," O'Connell said.

"We especially got along with the freshmen," Knapp added. "It didn't hurt that they had to clean the locker room!"

With strong unity and a seasoned coach, the team provided many memorable games. They produced many nail-biters and kept the loyal fans on their feet. "The hockey games rocked!" senior **Todd Sellers** said.



Researching in the media center, junior **Stephanie Inglett** and senior **Kari Laferriere** look up internet sources.

Teachers often required students to use the internet as a resource for research projects. (photo by Rita Carter)

WEDNESDAY

24

THURSDAY

Thanksgiving Vacation -
No School
Thanksgiving Day

FRIDAY

Thanksgiving Vacation -
No School
G/BB Tip-Off Classic
7:00 pm

SATURDAY

G/BB Tip-Off Classic
7:00 pm



Sophomore **Ben North** skates forward to block the Capitals' double coverage. Having been on the varsity team since his

eighth grade year, North added experience and depth to the team. (photo by Sam Dorr)



Juniors **Maria Misra** and **Rebekkah Nelson** spend a period outdoors before Thanksgiving break. Because Ames had

unusually warm fall weather, students often retreated to the courtyard to escape the school day. (photo by Rita Carter)

What are you thankful for?

compiled by Ann Benson, Julie Prindle and Julie Song

"I'm thankful that there have not been any school shootings and for AP classes."
-freshman **Jing Wang**

"I'm thankful for diversity. I'm glad everyone is different because otherwise the world would be boring."
-sophomore **Kristen McKiernan**

"I'm thankful for love and fertilizer."
-junior **Travis Knapp**

"I'm thankful for monkeys. I love monkeys."
-senior **Amy Hronek**



Juniors **Ann Benson** and **Julie Prindle** call local businesses about advertising in the yearbook. The yearbook received most

of their money from businesses and from baby ads bought by seniors' parents. (photo by Melisse Owen)

Nov/Dec

SUNDAY

Boys Youth BB
Tournament

MONDAY

JV/B BB Ankeny
JV/G BB @ Ankeny

TUESDAY

(9/10/V)G/BB @ Newton

While blocking a member of the Mason City hockey team, junior **Travis Knapp** challenges his opponents for the loose puck. The team suffered a close loss to Mason City (3-1), but put forth a good effort. "We really should have beat them," Knapp said. "The team didn't really play the best game; we were a little off." Luckily, Ames would get another chance to face Mason City on the ice later on in the season. (photo by Samantha Dorr)



Junior **Elissa Thompson** enjoys a quick snack before the state drill team competition on Friday. "We were pumped and ready to win at state," senior **Amy Colony** said. The squad

danced their way to a 1999 season championship, earning three division one ratings with the help of the first Ames High all-male drill team. (photo by Lauren Ledet)

What event in the last century was most significant?

"World War II. It changed the life of every person in our grandparent's generation."

- freshman **Andrew Oftedal**

"The fall of the Berlin Wall. It was a big step in the fight against communism."

- freshman **Tim Dunn**

"The Civil Rights' and Women's movements. Both movements made the status of these two groups better while changing our social structure."

- sophomore **Meegan Hand**

"The liberation of countries under tyranny. People need to experience freedom in order to experience life."

- junior **Cal Osmundson**

"World War II and Hitler. Hitler showed everyone how greedy we are for power. He showed people what happens if we try to make everyone uniform and the same."

- junior **Chris Krebs**

"The addition of the Ames High Band Room."

- senior **Mark Larwick**

"The advancement in technology. We can do so much more medically."

- senior **Gretchen Montgomery**

"The Atomic bomb. It killed so many people in one single act."

- senior **Razak Al-Hassan**

WEDNESDAY

Intramural Basketball
American Indian Heritage
Month
World AIDS Day

THURSDAY

B/SW Marshalltown
WR @ Marshalltown

FRIDAY

(9/10/V) B/ BB Winter
Classic @ Lincoln
(9/10/V) G/ BB Ankeny
Madrigal Dress
Rehearsal
Hanukkah begins at
sunset

SATURDAY

B/SW Ames Invite
10/V B/ BB Winter
Classic
Madrigal Dinner
SAT Testing
(9/10) WR Invite
Hanukkah

INTENSE PLAY I-ball: Another year, another war

by Julie Prindle

Walking down the halls on a Wednesday, one would find Intramural basketball participants sporting team shirts with names such as Smurfs, Care Bears and Oriental Express. Under those innocent names, however, lay a vengeance.

Intramural Basketball season arrived, and once again each Wednesday was filled with competitive remarks against opposing teams.

Many students had differing opinions about the aggressiveness of the games.

"It was a great way to take my anger out on the people I was angry with," senior **Nicole Olson** said.

"Aggressiveness in I-Ball added another dimension to extra cur-

ricular activities. When you've seen your friend's blood on the floor, you knew you had done a good job," senior **Adlai Hurt** said.

However, many students disliked the competitive aspect of the activity, considering intramurals were created to give students the chance to play basketball without the pressure.

"It was terrible because it could get out of control," sophomore **Nathanial Logston** said.

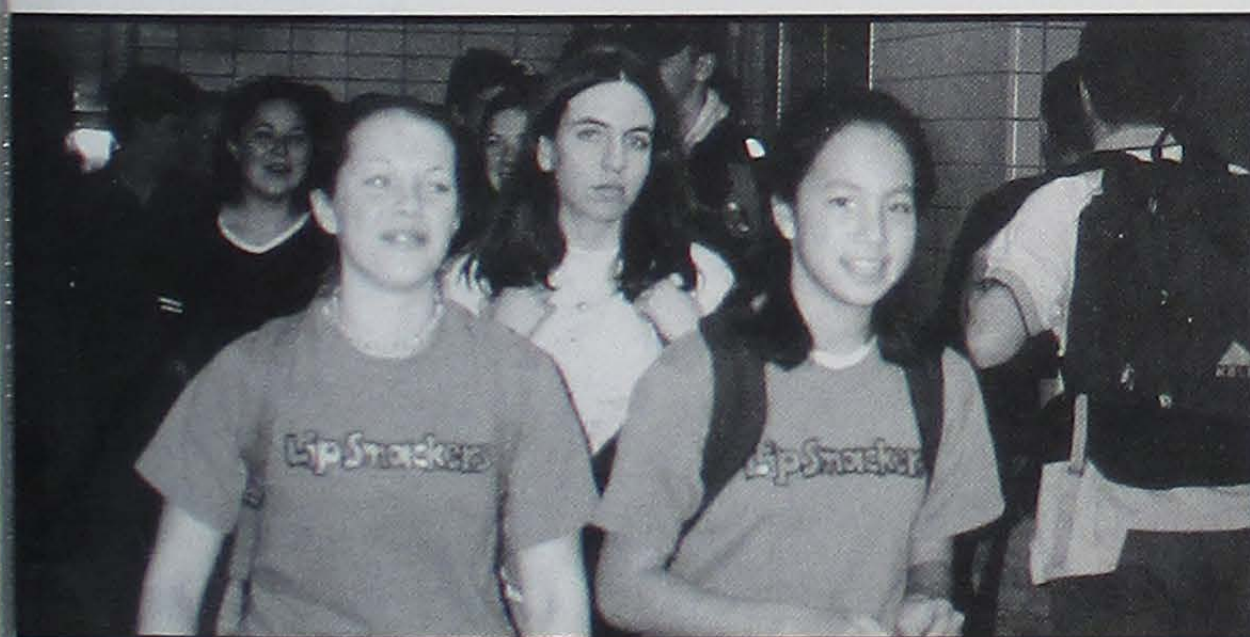
"It was usually enjoyable but sometimes people took it too seriously," senior **Amy Sargent** said.

Despite the dominant opinion on the matter, the best advice around came from the least likely of candidates, a freshman.

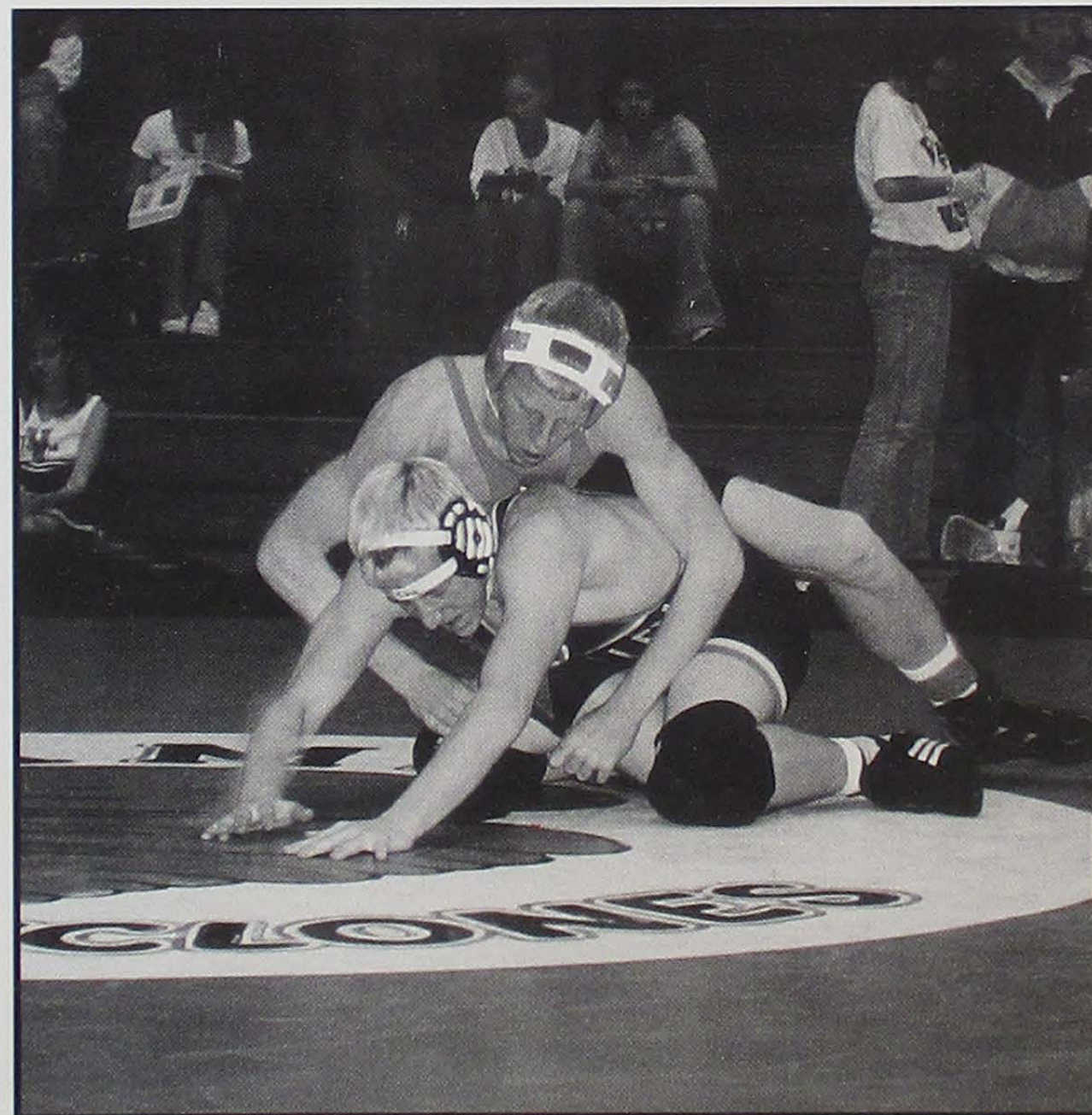
"You had to have insurance," freshman **Zach Mohn** said.



As the ball is shot, I-Ball team members of both the Jolly Green Giants and THC look for the rebound and steal. (photo by Abby Lundstrom)



Sophomores **Amanda Hyde** and **Amanda Yeung** wear their LipSmacker T-shirts on Wednesday for I-Ball. "I-Ball is all about friendship and good times but some people need to remember it's just for fun," Yeung said. Although many players only received minor injuries, LipSmacker team member senior **Jessica Bents'** collar bone was broken during play. (photo by Melisse Owen)



Junior **Mark Bokhoven** aggressively attempts to pin down his Marshalltown opponent at the wrestling meet on Thursday. "Wrestling was a legalized street fight where you couldn't hide behind anyone. It was just you and your opponent and no one else for six minutes of hell," Bokhoven said. Despite the team's efforts, Ames narrowly fell to the Bobcats with a score of 39-32. (photo by Rita Carter)

December

SUNDAY

Boys Youth BB
Tournament
Madrigal Dinner
Hanukkah

MONDAY

School Board Mtg 6:30 pm
(JV) B/BB Johnston
(JV) G/BB @ Johnston
Madrigal Dinner
Hanukkah

TUESDAY

(9/10/V) B/BI @
Marshalltown
(9/10/V) G/BB
Marshalltown
Hanukkah



In the madrigal play "Arnold the Falconer" sophomore **Nima Golchin** attempts to sell a bird to senior **Shawn**

Sebastian. The play brought amusement and humor to the madrigal dinner. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Senior **Rachel Bartels** holds her position during the madrigal dance. Along with the singing and acting, dancing also added to the medieval mood. Sophomore cho-

reographer **Meg Johnson** applied the skills she acquired from being an IS madrigal dancer to the Ames High madrigal. (photo by Lauren Ledet)

A ROYAL TRADITION

Madrigal mirrors musical talent

by Ann Benson

The 14th annual madrigal displayed the singing and acting talents of about 100 AHS students. St. John's Episcopal Church was transformed into a medieval court December 4, 5 and 6. The King, senior **Aki Nakagawa**, and Queen, senior **Anne Shelley**, hosted the dinner and provided the entertainment. It included musical performances, singing, magic, and a comedic play from the beggars and royal court jester, junior **Jim VanFleet**.

"My favorite part of the madrigal was after the jesting, when I could sit back and listen to the singers," VanFleet said.

Two hundred-forty people at-

tended the performance of the madrigal participants. The participants were selected by tryouts and worked for two months to prepare for the event. "Practices were very intense. We all risked getting the 'evil eye' from Mr. Linn if we sang incorrectly," senior Lady **Abby Brannan** said.

In addition to the three performances, the madrigal singers planned on performing before school and during homeroom throughout the week of Winter Madness. "It was well worth the time investment and the early morning practices. The finished product was really magical," senior **Megan Thomas** said.



The Royal Court Singers laugh at the madrigal actors during the last night of the performance. At the end of their play, the actors surprisingly paid "tribute" to the singers of the court by mocking their

facial expressions and songs. The good-hearted court found the innocent gesture amusing as did the actors who were proud of their shocking display. (photo by Samantha Dorr)

WEDNESDAY

I-Basketball
Hanukkah
Feast of Immaculate
Conception

THURSDAY

B/SW Valley
WR Valley/Hoover
Hanukkah

FRIDAY

9/10/V B/BB Valley
9/10/V G/BB @ Valley
Hanukkah
First Day of Ramadan

SATURDAY

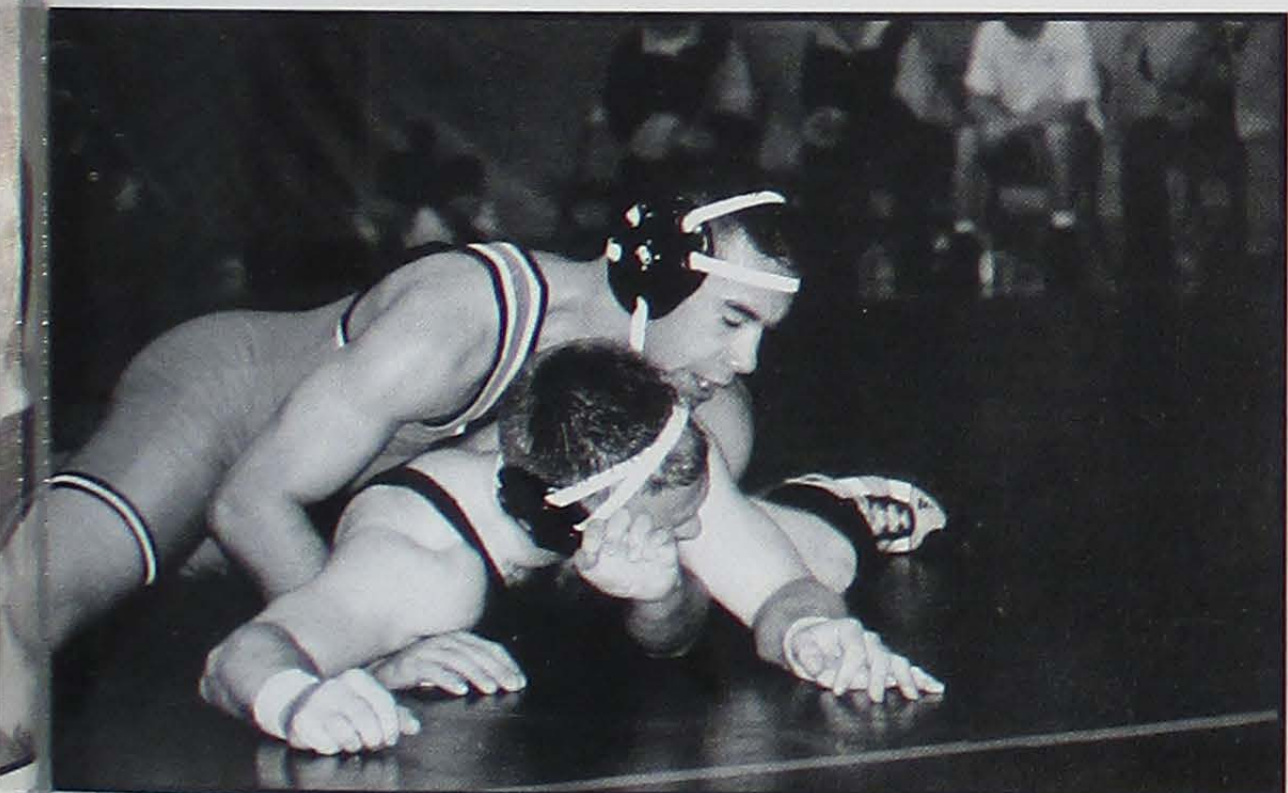
Human Rights Day
ACT Testing
B/SW @ Bobcat Relays
(9/B&A) G&B/BB @
Indianola
JV/WR @ Webster City
Invite
V/WR @ Valley Invite
Hanukkah

Using his superior crushing skills, senior **Mark VanderZyl** breaks apart an aspirin tablet during one of **Aileen Sullivan's** Survey of Chemistry labs. All decked out in his chemistry lab coat and safety goggles, VanderZyl was anxious to soak in all he could about how to make his own pain medication. The labs helped students understand science by correlating basic ideas of chemistry with common household products, from scented candles to light bulbs. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Members of the Responsibility Committee meet with the sophomore class to introduce a pledge created to make the school a better place. The Responsibility Committee, a group formed earlier in the year to help the school achieve its re-

sponsibility goal, was made up of students from all grades. The committee hoped that students, who were willing to agree to the pledge, would sign a banner which was to be hung in the hallway. (photo by Melisse Owen)



Senior **Patrick Cole** takes down his Valley opponent on Thursday night. Valley edged Ames 24-18, but it was a hard fought match. Although the Ames team

was young, the experienced wrestlers pushed the team to do their best and to have a successful season. (photo by Beth Peterson)



Several members of the drill team perform their routine during the half-time of a varsity girls' basketball game. The new co-ed sport performed a variety of rou-

tines during half-times of various boys' and girls' basketball games throughout the winter sports season. (photo by Samantha Dorr)

December

SUNDAY

Boys' Youth BB Tourn
JV 8am/V 10am Hockey @
St Joseph's

MONDAY

(JV) B/BB @ Newton
(JV) G/BB Newton
Winter Madness

TUESDAY

PAC Mtg
Holiday Band Concert
Winter Madness

GIVE FROSTY THE DOUGH, MAN



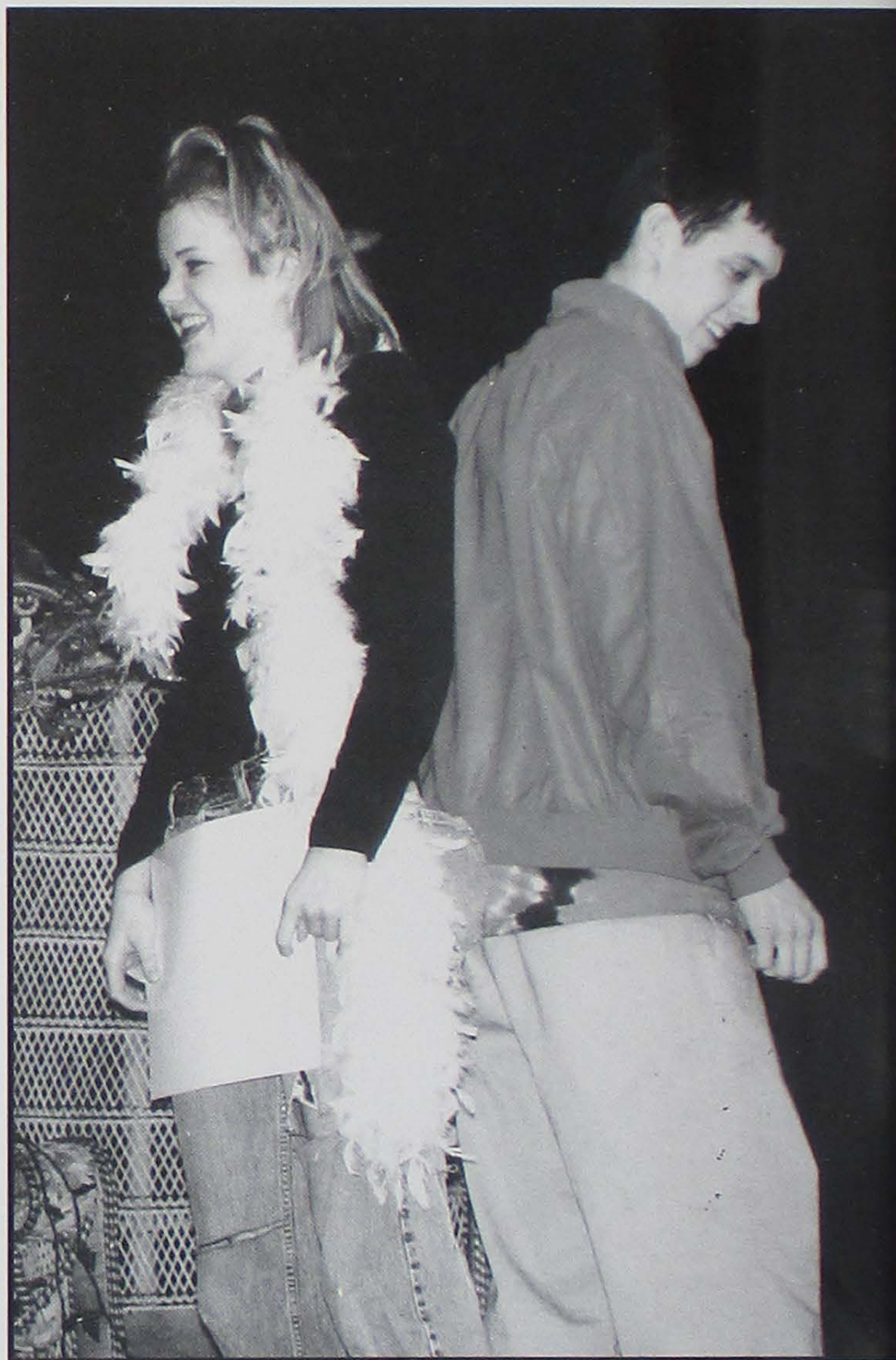
While waiting for customers to purchase Winter Formal tickets, seniors **Nicole Olson** and **Stephen Goldman** curiously look at the list of ticket sales to find which

couples were attending the dance together. Accompanied with each ticket was a silver box used for keeping pictures. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Sophomore **Megan Hunziker** of the Dancing Queens keeps the ball under control as junior **Rita Carter** of Only Deals reaches for a steal during an I-Ball game. The Dancing Queens defeated

Only Deals with a score of 18-12. Winning or losing was not the most important goal in I-ball. Rather, it was an opportunity for students to show off their skills on the court. (photo by Melisse Owen)



Juniors **Crystle Cline** and **Andy Cross** are united as the victorious couple after a grueling game of Singled Out during Winter Madness' Game show night. "I spent hours preparing and it paid off. I smoked

the competition," Cross said when asked about the game. Throughout the week student council encouraged students participate with the slogan, "Give Frosty the Dough, Man." (photo by L. Ledet)

WEDNESDAY

15
I-BB
Winter Madness
Bill Of Rights Day

THURSDAY

16
B/SW @ Newton
9 B/BB @ Roland-Story
9 G/BB @ Roland-Story
Winter Madness

FRIDAY

JV 6:30/V7:30 Hockey
Mason City
9/10/V B/BB @ Fort
Dodge
9/10/V G/BB Fort Dodge
(JV) WR @ Saydell Tourn
Winter Madness

SATURDAY

18
JV 6:45/V 8:15 @ Des
Moines
(10/V) G/BB @ Webster
City
(JV) G/BB Marshalltown
WR @ Fort Dodge Invite



Senior game show host **Leslie Hall** interviews seniors **Dan Burrow** and **Lindsay Lipper** during the Nearlywed game. Unfortunately, the couple didn't make it into the final round. Junior **Greg Payne** and

senior **Annalies van der Valk** won narrowly against the "celebrity couple," Homecoming King and Queen seniors **Tim Hibbing** and **Quinn Perrin**. (photo by Beth Peterson)



One of the greatest match-ups of the year was between two of the most intelligent minds of our school. These minds belonged to social studies teacher **Kirk Addow** and science teacher **Jeff Dilks**.

Here, senior **Shawn Sebastian** takes control of the microphone as he hosts the once in a decade event. Dilks won in Final Jeopardy by a very close score. (photo by Mike Freiberg)



Junior **John Tucker** executes a reversal on his opponent at the Fort Dodge Invitational. Tucker was the only wrestler from Ames who made it into the

finals, finishing second. Out of the nine teams participating in the invitational, Ames finished sixth. (photo by Beth Peterson)

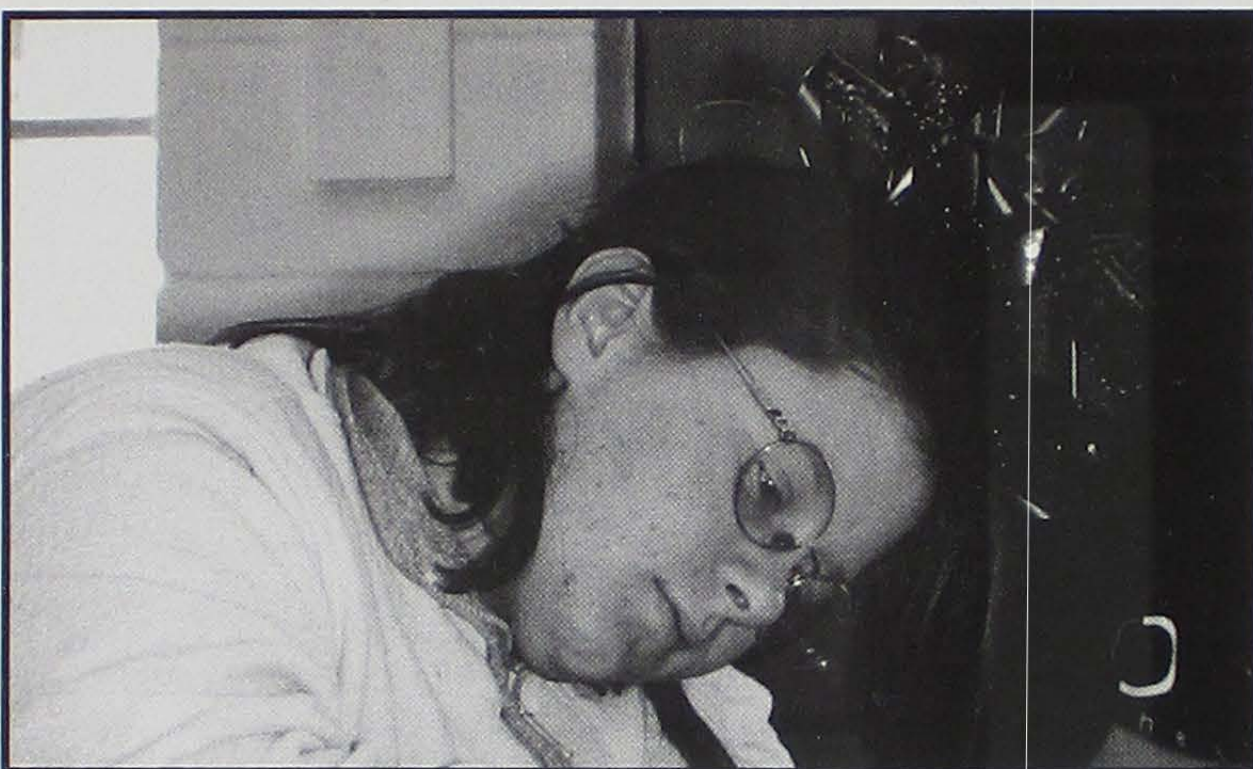


Junior **Tristan Brown** preps himself for the start of his relay race. Brown kept his ears open and mind clear as he listened for the buzzer to start the race. The swim meet was against Boone and Ankeny. Before the meet, the swimmers passed out flyers asking the student body and community to help "pack the pool." Although the pool was a crowded, hot place to cheer on the swimmers, many students answered the pleas and came to watch. (photo by Julie Song)



Senior **Davy Crockett** shows his school spirit during Winter Madness week by wearing his scurviest T-shirt. Students wore T-shirts varying from *New Kids On The Block* to *Carebears* to old tie dyes. "I

liked being able to wear something other than pajamas because my pajamas just made me look skinny. This t-shirt made me more rugged" Crockett said. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Hat day was just one of the Winter Madness activities many students participated in. One such student was junior **Tippy Bender**, who plopped a bow on her head as she studied in her math

class. Other crazy hats seen throughout the building included Santa hats, hats made out of toilet paper, Mad Hatter hats, and stocking caps. (photo by Lauren Ledet)

Why not fill out another raffle ticket? Winter Madness co-chair junior **Erica Lynn** and junior **Meredith Mull** sit at their posts watching over the Penny Wars battle. In accordance with Winter Madness, Lynn wore a green ensemble to promote the event. (photo by Lauren Ledet)

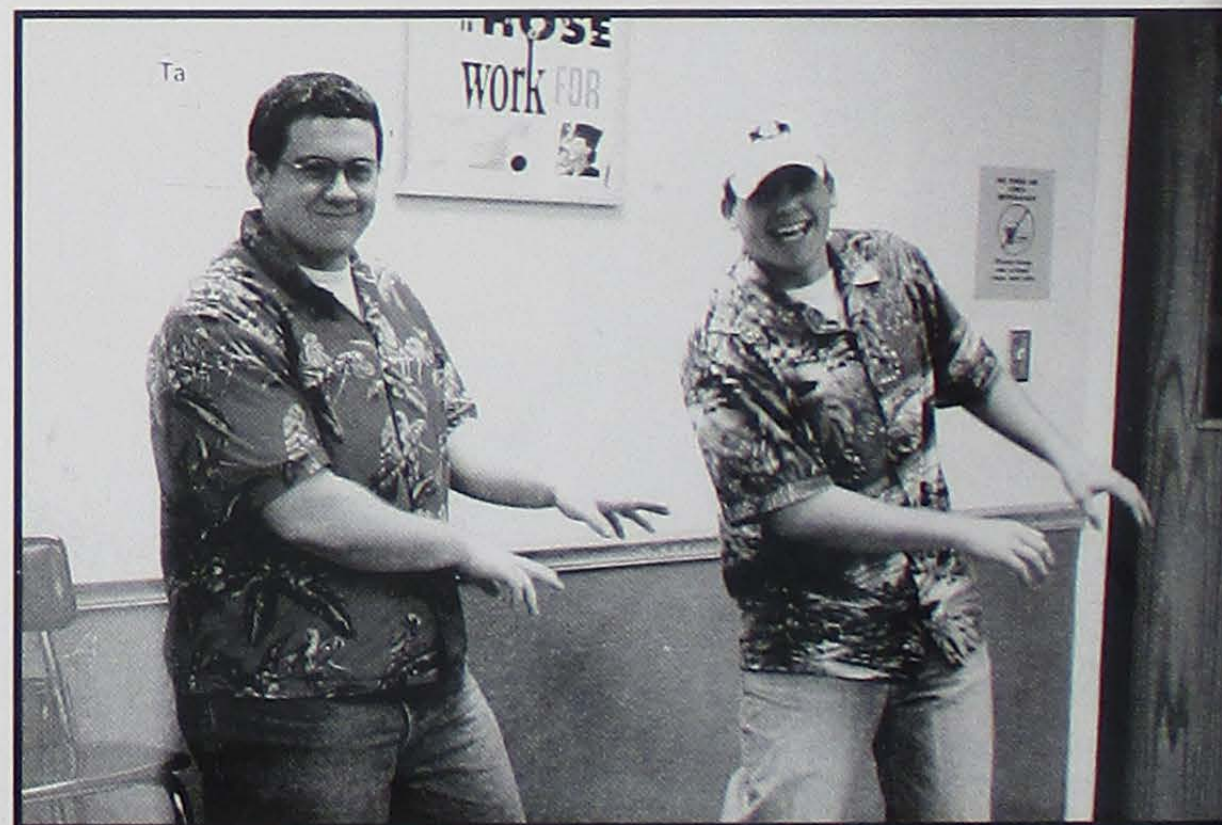


WHAT ARE YOU WEARING?

Students participate in dress-up days

Monday: Hat Day
Tuesday: Scurvy T-Shirt Day
Wednesday: Pajama Day
Thursday: Hawaiian Day
Friday: Green Day

Freshman **Heather Johnson** sports a blue starry night bathrobe on Pajama Day. Johnson was one of many students who took advantage of the encouraged casual dress code during the week. "Although it was harder than usual to stay awake in classes and I got two too many comments about looking like a candy cane, I would definitely do it again any time," senior **Anna Blaedel** said. "I thought that popcorn and movies should have been sold in the lobby during the day to turn the day into one big slumber party," senior **Jen Oftedal** said (photo by Julie Prindle)



Juniors **Keith Duffy** and **Jacob Hammans** get with the spirit of Winter Madness, pretending they are at a real Hawaiian Luau. Hawaiian Day was an

opportunity for students to wear tropical clothes despite the cold weather and enjoy a good laugh at their fellow students. (photo by Amy Chung)



Seniors **Abby Brannan**, **Adam Webb**, **Elizabeth Vogel** and junior **David Melby** sing holiday melodies with the other members of the Madrigal singers in the front

lobby before homeroom. Many students gathered around the group to hear them perform before starting classes for the day. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Seniors **John LaVille**, **Ryan Cummings**, and **Darwin Jones** gather around junior **Lepon** as he tries to conquer the motorcycle video game in the front lobby.

One of the annual perks of Winter Madness was the selection of numerous video games in the front lobby. (Photo by Lauren Ledet)



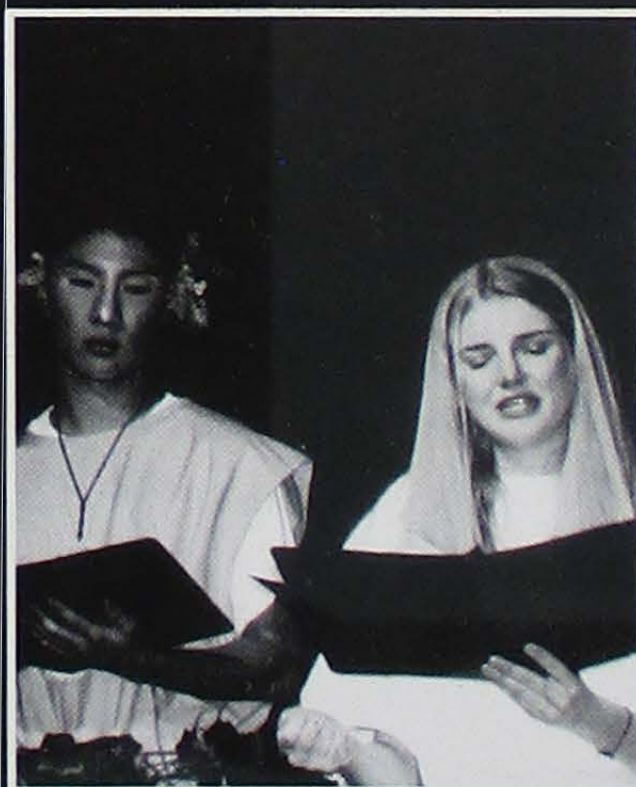
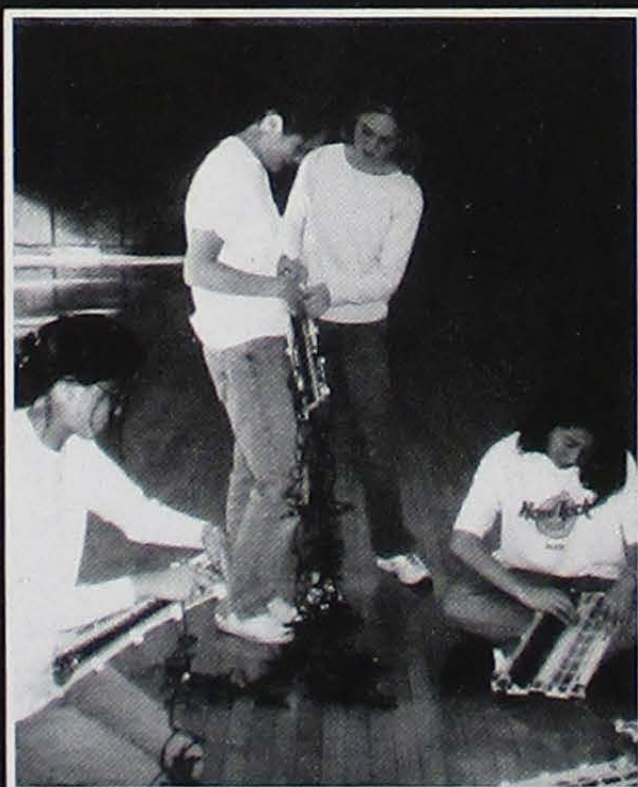
During Winter Madness week there were many activities in which students could participate. The Penny Wars were a way for each class to compete against each other. Here, Seniors **Matt Helland** and **Alec Otteman** place some pennies in the senior jar to try and edge the seniors' chance of winning. At the conclusion of

the week, student council members trekked off to Target with family wish lists in hand, to do some serious shopping. The presents were then wrapped and delivered to less fortunate families. The Penny Wars were a major source of cash, raising over \$700 dollars for the annual fund-raiser. (photo by Amy Chung)



Jumping at the chance to spread some holiday cheer, junior **Chris Konopa** anxiously greets one of the nursing home residents during an annual all-school service project. Several students took advantage of the opportunity to share some of their spirit with the residents. Students caroled up and down the hallways, brought wrapped gifts and delicious goodies, and gave lots of hugs. (photo by Amy Chung)

Winter



Frozen in Time

Hot chocolate with candy canes
hand-sewn quilts
snow days
sledding parties
fires in the fireplace
knitting parties
snowball fights
winter break
warm gingerbread
basketball games
frosted cookies
well-worn sweaters

The silence that surrounds me is deafening. Oblivious to everything, but the snow and the cold, I keep shoveling. Scrape. Thump. Scrape. Thump. Each shovelful grows heavier as my arms become numb from work and cold. As quickly as I can clear a patch of concrete, it is once again covered by thick, white snowflakes. The streetlight, only a hundred yards away, illuminates each unique crystal. My blood pumps harder and my muscles strain to complete my neverending task. Yes, winter has come to Iowa.

-senior Anna Blaedel

December

SUNDAY

19
Boys' Youth BB
Tournament

MONDAY

20
Winter Vacation: NO
SCHOOL

TUESDAY

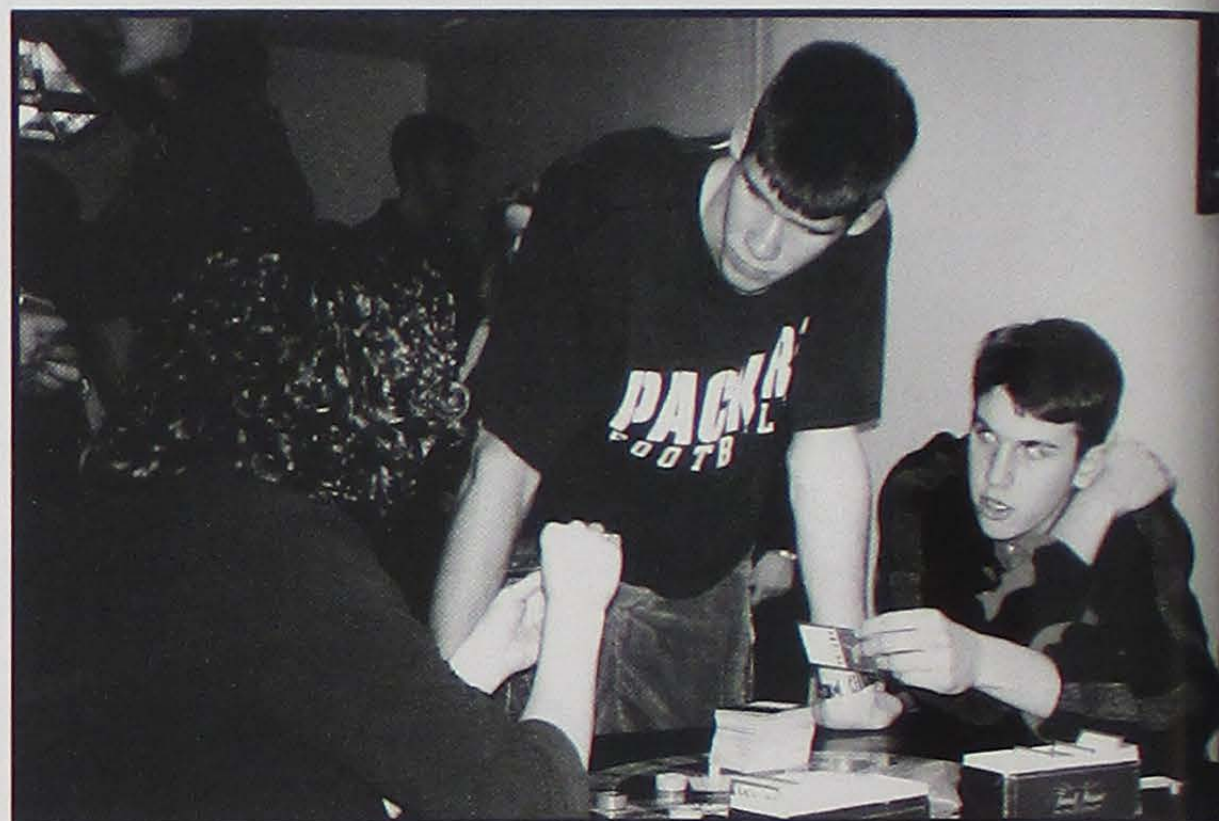
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Winter Vacation: NO
SCHOOL

WINTER BREAK



Senior **Linnea Woline** grins in the mirror before applying a face-mask. A group of friends gathered together over winter break at senior **Stacey McConnell's**

house for a night of pampering. After the facials, the girls watched the movie *Pretty Woman* and sipped hot chocolate. (photo by Jennifer Oftedal)



Pop quiz hot-shot junior **Andy Houk** tests junior **Kelley Kunz's** knowledge with the everpopular game of Trivial Pursuit. Junior **Jim Kain** awaits her response in the hope

that it will soon be his turn. Students took advantage of the short-lived freedom of winter break in any way possible. (photo by Amy Chung)

What will happen when the clock strikes midnight and the year 2000 begins?

compiled by Jen Oftedal and Lindsay VanFleet

"A Y2K related problem might occur and Russia's nuclear weapons, that are pointed directly at the United States, will go off accidentally."

-freshman **Madeleine Russell**

"Machines will get a mind of their own and take over the world like in the movie *Maximum Overdrive*."

-junior **Brian Clark**

"I hope that all of the lights go out and everything shuts down on Times Square and gives people a scare. It would prove that people can't control everything."

-sophomore **Julia Slocum**

"The entire school will fill up with spaghetti. Then we can all go swimming in noodles."

-senior **Emily Johnston**

WEDNESDAY

22
Winter Vacation: NO
SCHOOL
First Day of Winter

THURSDAY

23
Winter Vacation: NO
SCHOOL

FRIDAY

24
Winter Vacation: NO
SCHOOL

SATURDAY

25
Christmas Day



For the Winter Formal dance, senior Erik Feeley assembles a fake pine tree. Feeley was part of the senior girls' group that got together for five hours to

decorate the Sun Room of the Memorial Union. Along with the trees, decorating involved hanging lights and stars from the ceiling. (photo by Jennifer Oftedal)



During the first big winter snow, junior Jazie Smith decides to be a polite and courteous gentleman and carry his gal through the snow. Since snow and ice

had been somewhat scarce up to that point, many students hurried to take advantage of the new wintry weather. (photo by Amy Chung)

Who made the most impact in the last century?

compiled by Beth Peterson

"Tim Hibbing, 'cause gosh that kid is nice."

-senior **Brandon Winkey**

"Bob Marley, because his rastafarian vibes just keep coming, baby!"

-senior **Steve Johnson**

"Michael Jackson, because he can dance."

-junior **Lorenzo Taylor**

"Stacey Frese, because she's the best basketball player alive, and I want to be just like her!"

-junior **Kylan Loney**

"Mia Hamm, because she's a role model for girls in sports. Plus, she's all I want to be and more!"

-sophomore **Jessica Pfeiffer**

"Martin Luther King Jr. because he was such a great person and fought for what was right."

-sophomore **Valerie Matters**

"Madonna, I want to be her! I love her rhythm and style."

-freshman **Chelsey Schmidt**

"John Elway, because he's the man!"

-freshman **Trevor Smith**

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Dec/Jan

SUNDAY

26

Kwanza December 26-
January 1

MONDAY

27

Winter Vacation: NO
SCHOOL

TUESDAY

28

Winter Vacation: NO
SCHOOL

NEW YEAR'S EVE CELEBRATIONS

WELCOMING 2000!

KIRIBATI

Kiribati's Millennium Island was the first piece of land to see 2000. Usually uninhabited, the island was named "Millennium Island" for the special event. Natives and journalists from all over the globe gathered on the island to welcome the new millennium.

SYDNEY, AUSTRALIA

At 8 am central time, Sydney ushered in the momentous year with a grand display of fireworks over the Sydney Opera House. The 20 tons of fireworks lasted for 25 minutes, keeping record crowds sparked despite the rain and wind.

TOKYO, JAPAN

At 9 am central time, Tokyo said hello to the new millennium when worshipers released balloons into the sky at the Zojoji Temple.

THAILAND

At 10 am central time, wish lanterns broke loose and floated up through the air.

BEIJING, CHINA

At 10 am central time, fireworks exploded over Beijing while many Chinese danced and sang in native gowns. With the lighting of the Great Wall of China, many flocked to the historical site for their New Years' celebrations. China also held a wedding ceremony with 2000 couples.

GISBORNE, NEW ZEALAND

On the shores of Gisborne, natives welcomed the first light of the new millennium with the eerie sound of a giant conch as the sun rose. Many old rowing boats drifted into the bay as natives danced along the shore to traditional morning chants.

JAVA, INDONESIA

At 11 am central time, in Borobudur Temple, one of the largest Buddhist Temples in the world, Indonesian actors performed the Law of the Karma. They showed that good deeds will be praised and bad deeds will be punished by the law.



Some students chose to celebrate the millennium engaged in a cut-throat game of Pictionary. (photo by Melissa Heer)



A group of festive sophomores ring in the New Year with style at a millennium party. (photo courtesy of Jen Alexander)

WEDNESDAY

29
Winter Vacation: NO
SCHOOL

THURSDAY

30
Winter Vacation: NO
SCHOOL
Winter Formal @ Memo-
rial Union

FRIDAY

31
Winter Vacation: NO
SCHOOL

SATURDAY

1
New Year's Day
Birth Defects Prevention
Month
Emancipation Proclama-
tion Day



Winter Formal was full of excitement and dancing. Many students gathered together to "ride the train," a formal favorite. (photo by Amy Chung)



Juniors **Mona Dalal** and **Jon Sargent** sway back and forth and "wish upon a star" during a slow-dance at Winter

Formal. The dance was held in the Sun Room of the Memorial Union. (photo by Susana Goldman)



Juniors **Jake Hammans** and **Chris Parrish** compare their tuxes and boutonnieres at the dance. "My tux was more attractive than Jake's tux," Parrish said. The local tailors and florists were always sure to make a profit during the Winter Formal season. (photo by Amy Chung)

AROUND THE WORLD

WHAT WE DID IN AMES

"My friends and I ran around the neighborhood banging pots and pans while watching fireworks!"

- junior **McKinsie Clyde**

"I got a turkey in bowling for the first time in my life!"

- junior **Stephanie Carroll**

TIME SQUARE, NYC

As midnight exploded into NYC, downtown lights flashed, fireworks boomed brilliantly, and 2 million celebrating people counted down, sang *Auld Lang Syne*, kissed, and cheered. The ball that was traditionally dropped was newly designed with 90 rotating pyramid prisms.

MOSCOW, RUSSIA

In a surprise announcement, Russian President Boris Yeltsin resigned from his post. He handed over his power to Prime Minister Vladimir Putin, saying the year 2000 needed to see new and fresh leadership. To celebrate the new year, fireworks were shot from Red Square.

BETHLEHEM

2000 doves were sent flapping through the midnight sky as a reminder that peace in the new year would be a priority.

PARIS, FRANCE

At 5 pm central time, Paris entered the New Year with fireworks that sent the Eiffel Tower into a blaze of color.

ROME, ITALY

Minutes before Rome saw the new year, at 5 pm central time, Pope John Paul II was still carrying his message of hope, reminding his people that human beings are the only species that are capable of understanding the passing of time.

THE SOUTH POLE

Before beginning New Year's celebrations, scientists on the South Pole placed a new stick at the very center of the pole. This was done with each passing year to measure the distance that the continent had shifted.

January

SUNDAY

2
Girls' Youth BB
Tournament

MONDAY

3
Classes Resume
(9) B/BB Valley
(JV) B/BB Valley
(JV) G/BB @ Valley

TUESDAY

4
B/SW Ankeny



Junior **Becky Heller**, sophomore **Jon Dobbs**, junior **Ben Woline** and senior **Matt Mize** play their sousaphones during halftime at the boys varsity basketball

game. With their own choreography to liven up the performance, the sousaphone players were an important part of the pep band. (photo by Amy Chung)



In the game against Urbandale, junior **Jamie Smith** attempts to dribble past a defending player. Despite a promising

first half, the Ames Varsity fell to the pressure of the Jayhawks during the second half. (photo by Melisse Owen)

What character in literature do you relate to most?

compiled by Melissa Heer

"Maureen O'Hara's character in the play *The Quiet Man*, because she is a spitfire strong Irish woman."
- librarian **Peggy Jacobson**

"The priest in Joseph Heller's *Catch-22*, because he had strong convictions yet struggled when having to stand up for them."
- senior **Elizabeth Beavers**

"Harrison Bergeron from Kurt Vonnegut's *Welcome to the Monkey House*, because we both believe life is worth living."
- junior **Mark Jacobson**

"Jane Eyre from *Jane Eyre*, because she was searching for herself, and despite her hard life she overcame difficulty."
- sophomore **Kate McHugh**

"Harry Potter from J.K. Rowling's *Harry Potter* series, because I enjoy suspense and mystery."
- freshman **Kaylie Engelen**



Seniors **Daniel Jeong** and **Brian Cheney** amuse their Honors 12 English class with an entertaining skit. The two performed

scenes from Shakespeare's *King Henry IV* by imitating the television show "Cheers." (photo by Melissa Heer)

WEDNESDAY

5
I-BB
Terpsichore Tryouts

THURSDAY

6
B/SW @ Ft. Dodge
(9/B & A) B/BB Urbandale
(9/B & A) G/BB @ Urbandale
WR @ Fort Dodge

FRIDAY

7
(10/V) B/BB Urbandale
(10/V) G/BB @ Urbandale

SATURDAY

8
(9/10/V) B/BB Mason City
(9/10/V) G/BB @ Mason City
(JV/V) WR Waterloo West



Juniors **Juanita Lutz** and **Veronica Saide** sign the "We Pledge" banner. To promote responsibility at school, students were asked to sign the banner which was then hung in the front lobby. Students were also given

pocket sized pledge cards. By signing the banner, students agreed to "be part of the solution and not part of the problem," and to "encourage others to follow the pledge." (photo by Amy Chung)



A group of enthusiastic seniors cheer to support the winter sports kickoff assembly. At the assembly, captains of each intersport spoke on behalf of their teams

and asked for encouragement from the student body. The All-Conference CIML football players were also acknowledged at the assembly. (photo by M. Owen)

Freshman **Tim Dunn** prepares himself mentally for his upcoming heat. Preparation was a fundamental component to the team's success. "Our team won

because we had more depth than Ankeny, meaning we had more swimmers with experience and talent," junior **Mike Kienzler** said. (photo by Julie Song)



Junior **Kylan Loney** makes a break towards the basket against an Urbandale defender. Loney and her teammates' fast moves paid off. With the victory over

Urbandale, the varsity team kept their record undefeated, improving with each and every game they played. (photo by Melisse Owen)

January

SUNDAY

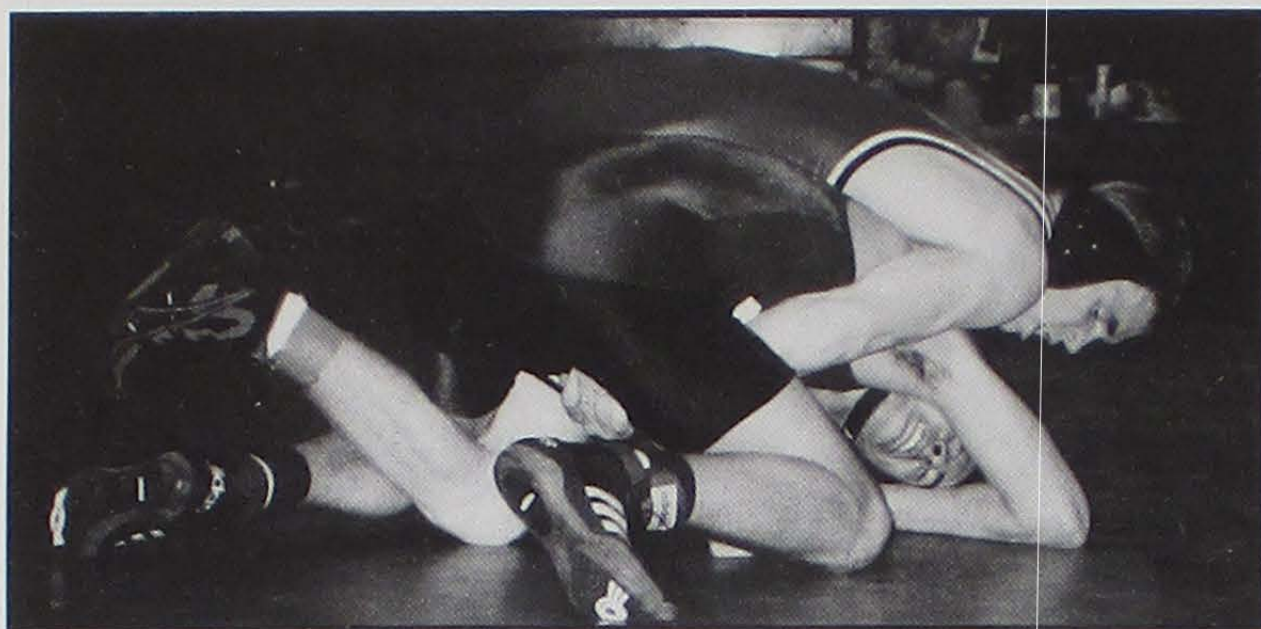
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Girls Youth BB Tourn
Dorian Music Festival

MONDAY

13
(JV) B/BB Urbandale
(JV) G/BB Urbandale
Dorian Music Festival

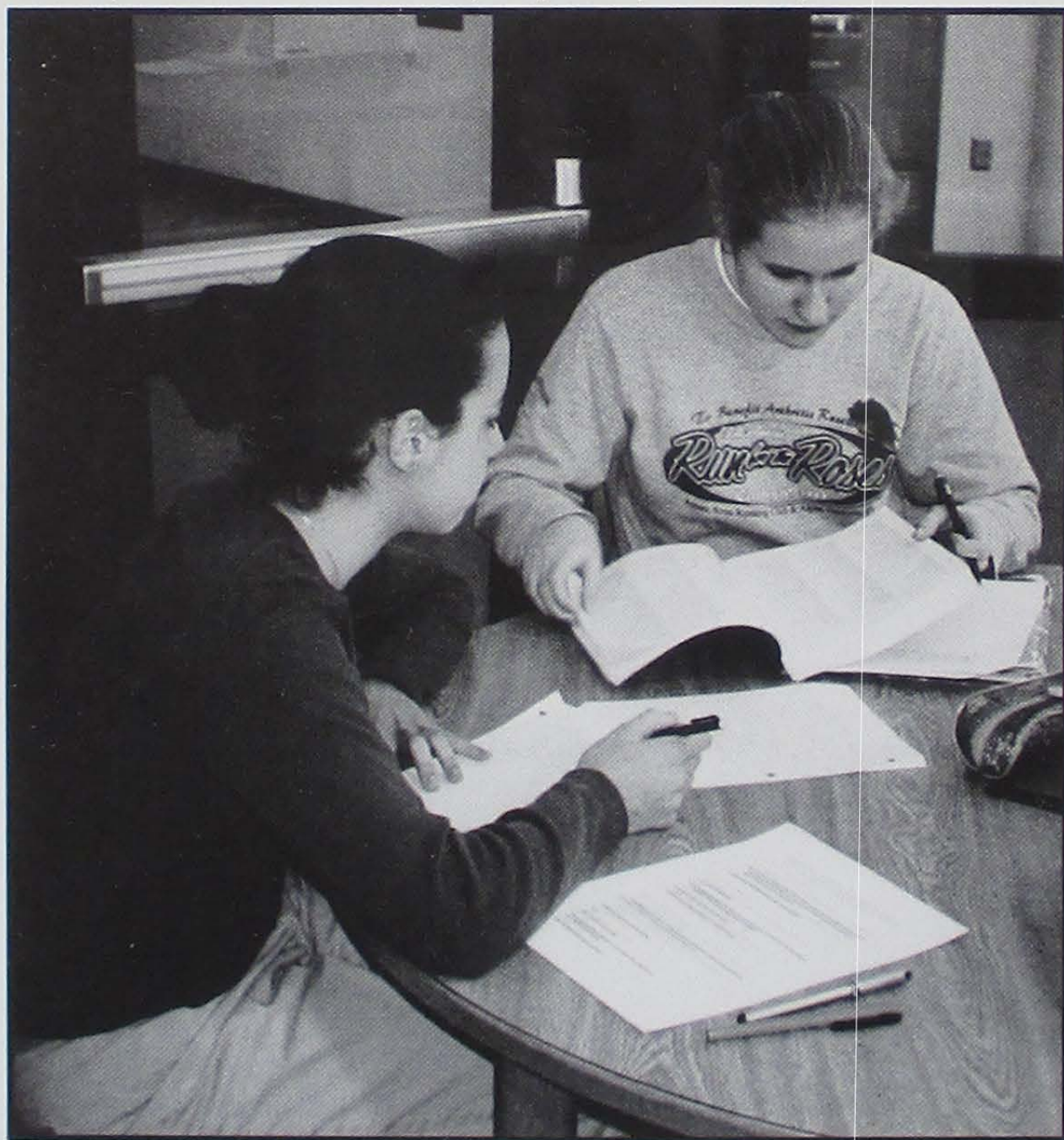
TUESDAY

14
PAC Meeting
B/SW Mason City
WR Mason City



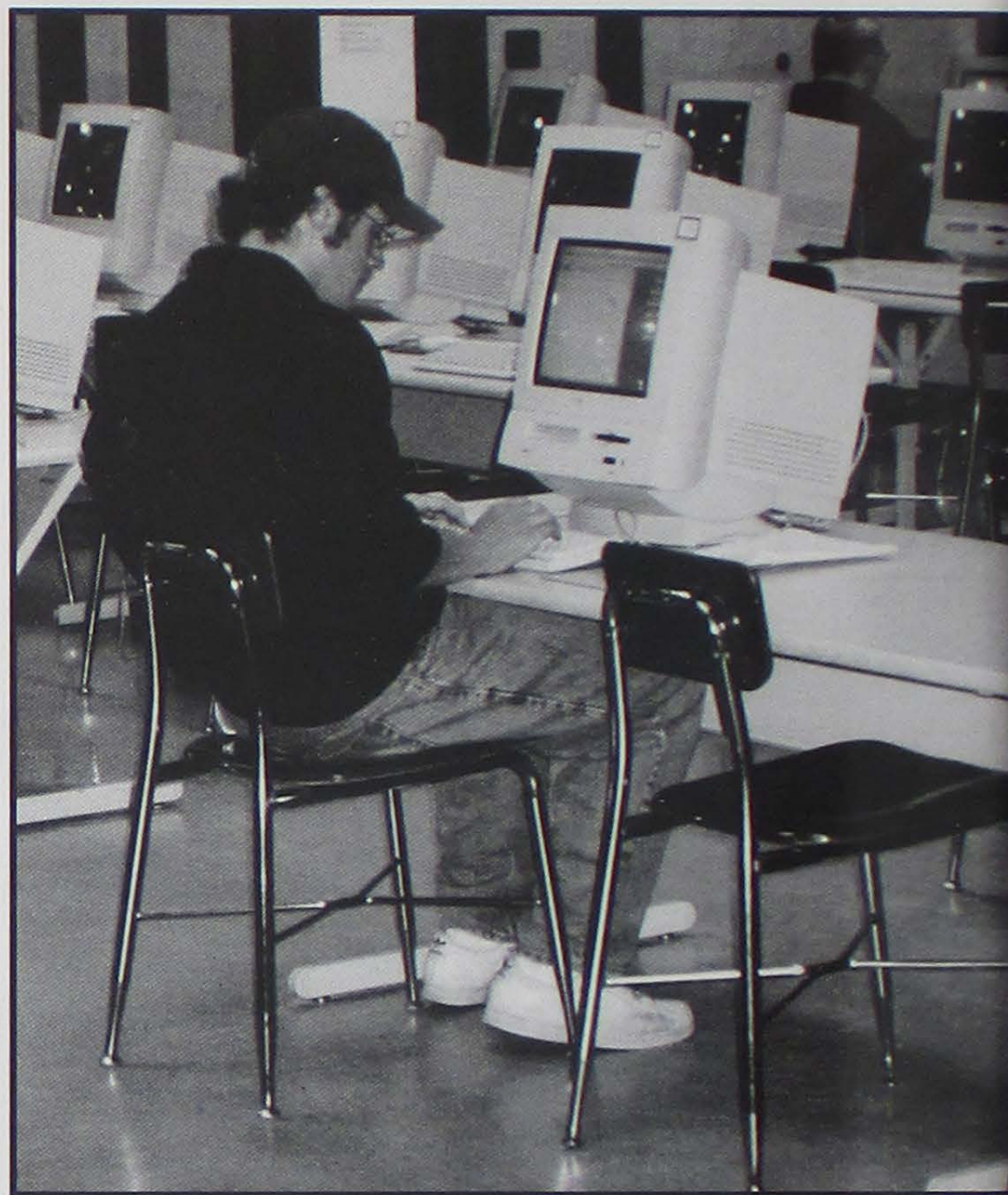
Junior **Luke Steinhoff** literally tackles the competition at the home varsity wrestling meet. Although the team didn't experience the success that they

had hoped for, they worked their hardest to achieve their personal goals. The team hoped to send a handful of players to state. (photo by Rita Carter)



Misery loves company. Juniors **Caitlin Braun** and **Laura Obrycki** review and compare their notes for their upcoming finals. Students often used the media

center during finals to meet up with friends and cram for their tests. The M.C. provided a quiet environment for students to concentrate. (photo by Rita Carter)



Senior **Justin Cochren** takes one of his last hours of the semester to finish typing a paper for finals. While most students took advantage of not having a class period by leaving

school, others stayed to finish projects and finals. Most of these students were hard workers and did not want to be disturbed. (photo by Rita Carter)



Huddled in the corner of the cafeteria, freshmen **Bill Cleary** and **Andrew Metz** enjoy their free time reading articles and looking at pictures in their favorite maga-

zine. Despite the overly crowded lunchroom, students found space to eat and enjoy the company of friends. (photo by Julie Song)

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WEDNESDAY

15

THURSDAY

16

Semester Tests
(9/B&A) B/BB Johnston

FRIDAY

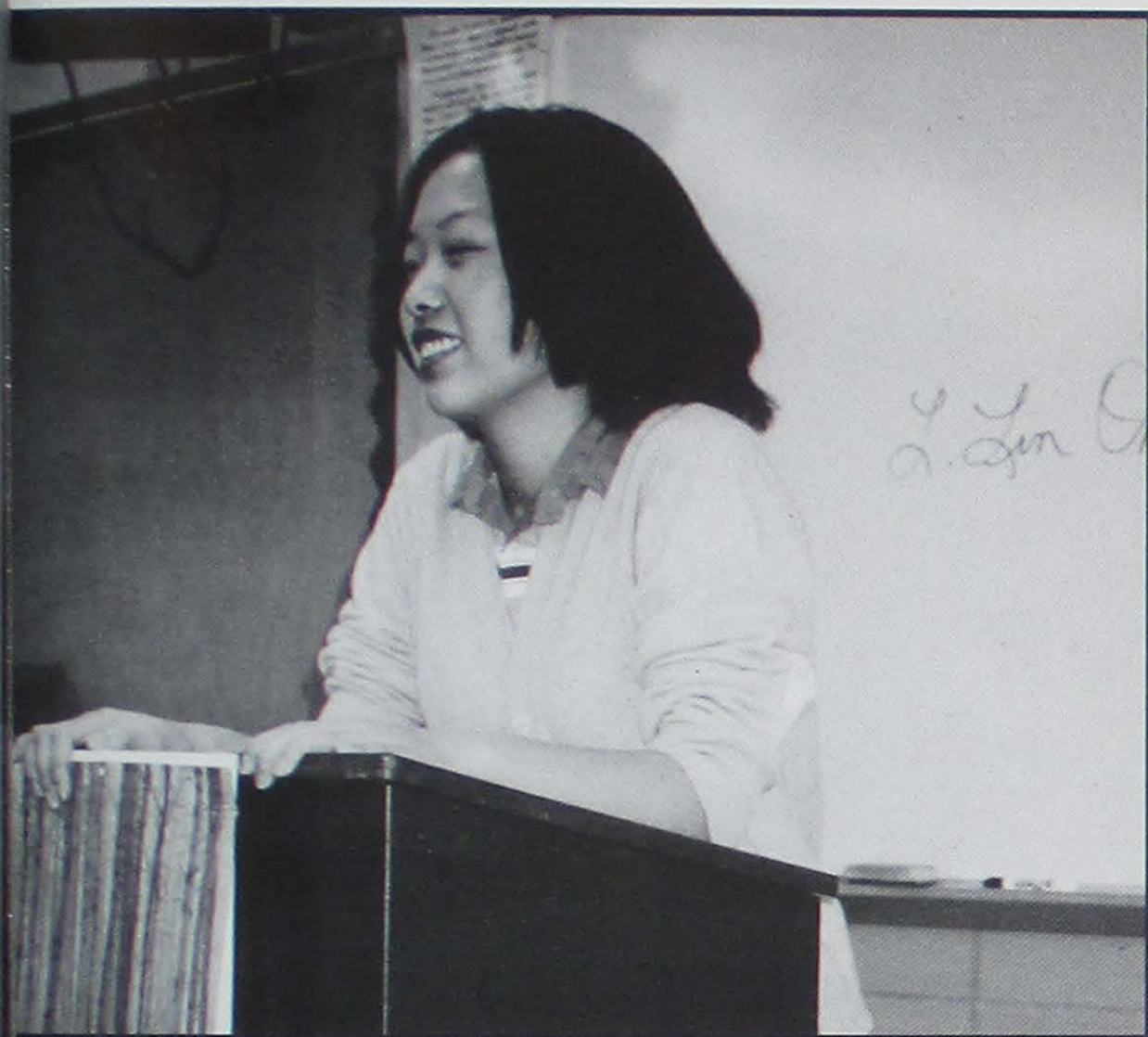
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End of 2nd Nine Weeks
Semester Tests
(9/10/V) B/BB @ Newton
(9/10/V) G/BB Newton

SATURDAY

18

B/SW @ Ft. Dodge Invite
(9/B&A) B/BB Johnston
(9/B&A) G/BB Johnston
(10/V) B/BB @ Johnston
(10/V) G/BB @ Johnston
(JV) WR @ Jefferson
Tourn
(V) WR @ Esterville
Tourn



Junior **Lin Ong** smiles as she gives her semester final to her Honors American Literature class. In her oration on the American Dream, Ong encouraged her

classmates to judge people on their inner character. "Lin's oration was completely enthralling and very inspirational," junior **Amanda Burke** said. (photo by Julie Song)



After a major spill, sophomore **Jessica Pfeiffer** reaches to retain possession from the towering Newton players around her. Aware of the situation at hand, sophomore

Abby Sutherland put herself in a prime position to grab the ball out of the "hustle and bustle." The sophomores ended the game with a win. (photo by Catlin Clark)



Junior **Rachel Schoelkopf** teaches Erin, fifth grader from Meeker Elementary School, about the play *MacBeth* by Shakespeare. For their final, Mr.

Carlson's British Literature class went to local elementary schools to teach British novels in a way that the kids could understand. (photo by Jen Oftedal)



Got a problem? Visit your local guidance counselor. Sophomore **Olga Balema** talks to counselor **Larry Zwagerman** about planning her classes for the next

semester. Counselors prepared during finals week for the hordes of students that would come in to change their schedules. (photo by Rita Carter)

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January

SUNDAY

16
Girls Youth BB Tourn

MONDAY

17
Workshop Day:
NO SCHOOL
Ski Trip
(JV) B/BB Marshalltown
(JV) G/BB @ Marshalltown

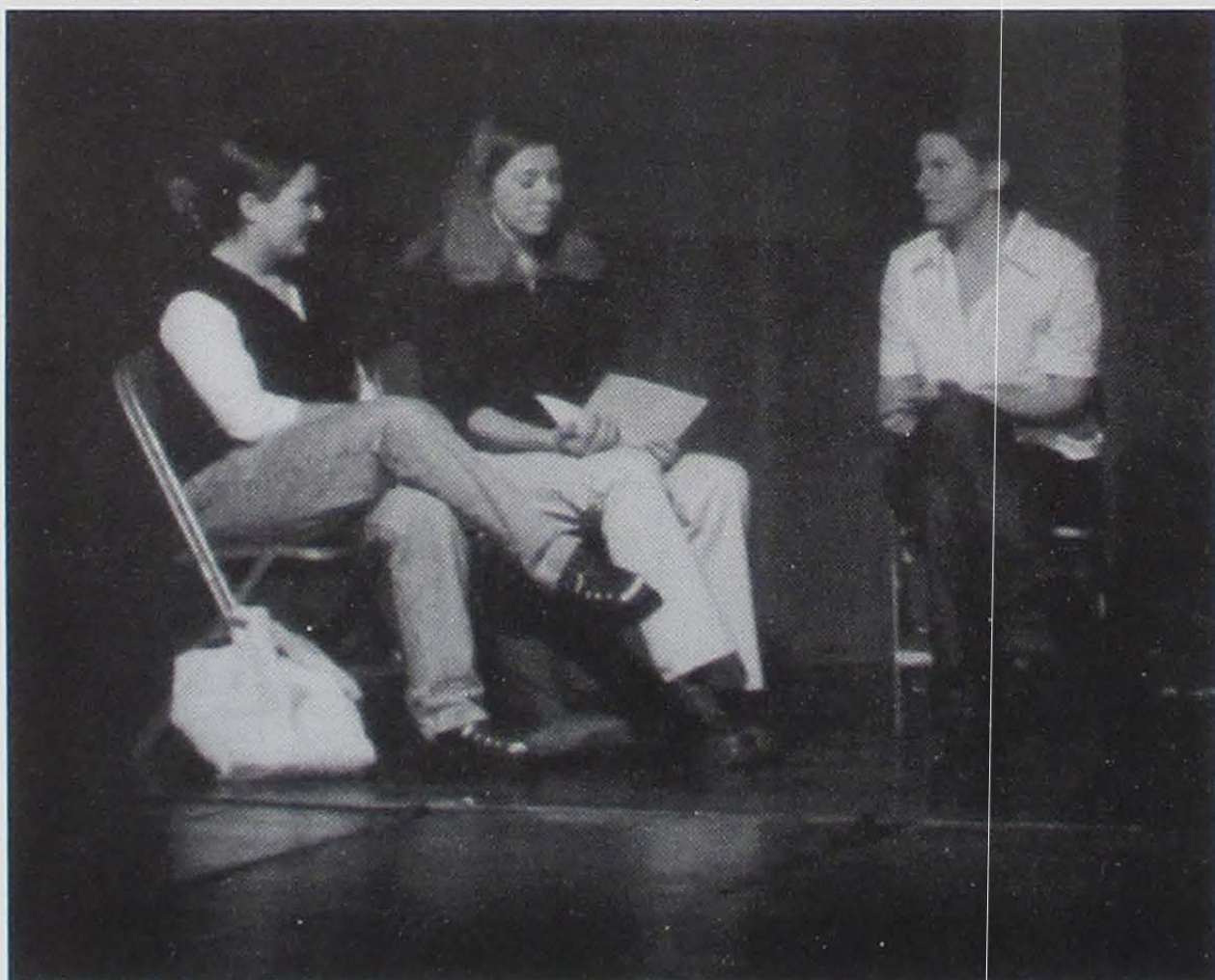
TUESDAY

18
(9/10/V) B/BB Ankeny
(9/10/V) G/BB @ Ankeny



A group of enthusiastic ski club members slide together to congratulate each other on another successful trip down the hill. While the group tried to pose for a picture, the person on the end fell and started

the "domino effect" as the whole group came crashing to the ground. Skiing was a very popular winter sport among the students of our school. (photo courtesy of Erica Lynn)



Senior **Susan Vleck**, sophomore **Sarah Beisser** and junior **Stacy Heideman** give a sound byte in the Martin Luther King Day assembly about watching what you say. Through many skits, the assembly

concentrated on Martin Luther King's dream of bringing acceptance to all groups of people. Guest vocalist Brian Allen sang a song about love to end the assembly. (photo by Melisse Owen)



The annual Orner Orchestra Outing was nothing like a typical orchestra outing. Held at Camp Hantosa on a Friday night, instruments were not even allowed. Instead, sophomores **Sarah Hart**, **Catherine Wilson**, **Sarah Jiles** and **Nitin Gadia** and freshman **Madeline Russell**

targeted their attention towards another kind of creativity. "First, we took photo paper and taped a design onto it. Then, we put the paper in developing paper and waited for our finished product," junior **Amber Segedi** said. (photo courtesy of Hannah Polashek)



Sophomore **Latrice Sawyer**, freshman **Anna Downing** and sophomore **Stephanie Smelser** lead future cheerleaders in a chant at the Cheer Clinic workshop. The clinic was an annual fundraiser that gave kids ambition to be cheerleaders someday. During the course

of the morning, the children divided into groups to learn cheers and a halftime dance to perform during an upcoming varsity basketball game. The clinic was popular not only with the kids but with the students and cheerleaders that watched their performances. (photo by Julie Prindle)

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WEDNESDAY

19
I-BB

THURSDAY

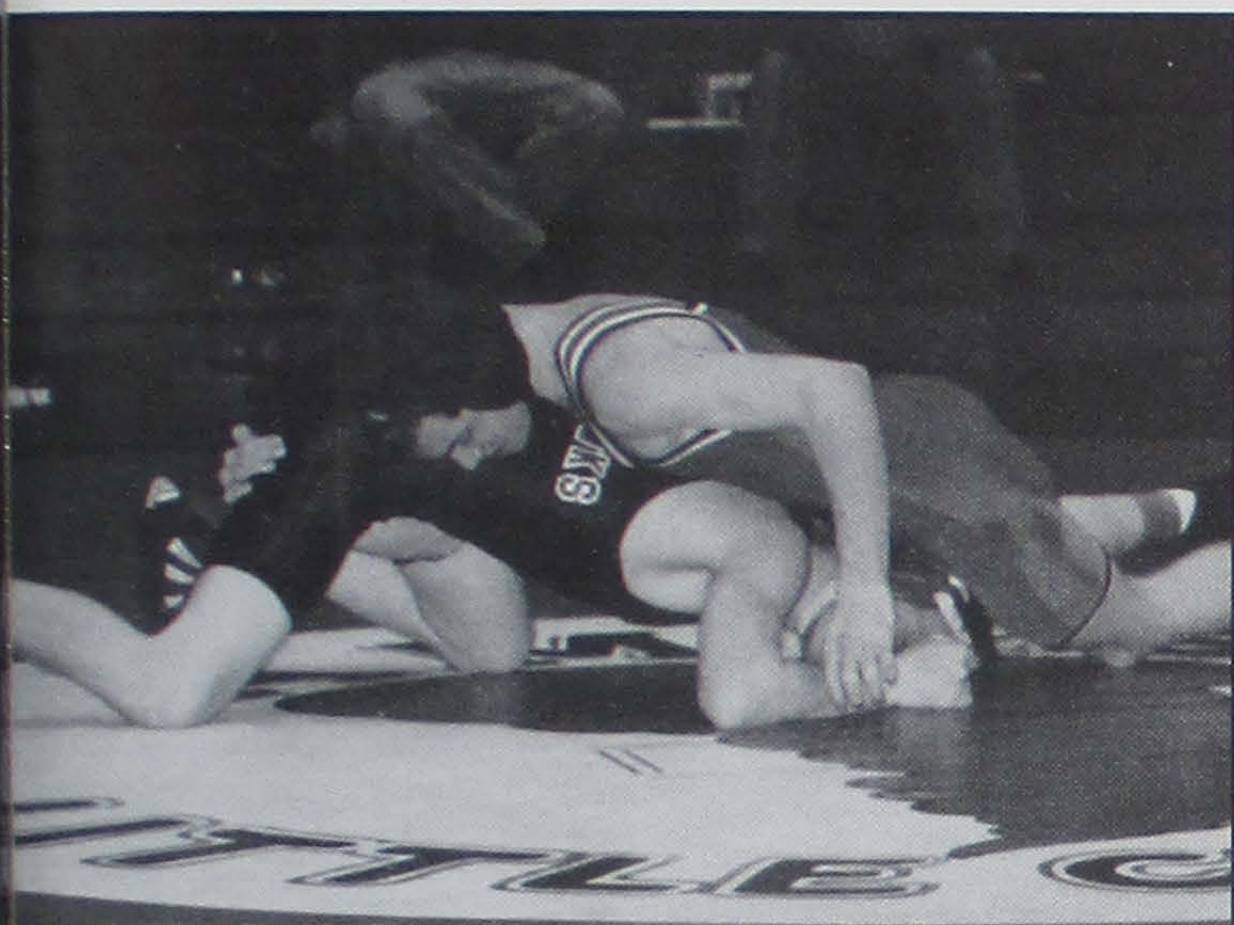
20
Large Group Speech
Performance
B/SW Urbandale
WR Urbandale

FRIDAY

21
(9/10/V) B/BB Marshalltown
(9/10/V) G/BB @
Marshalltown

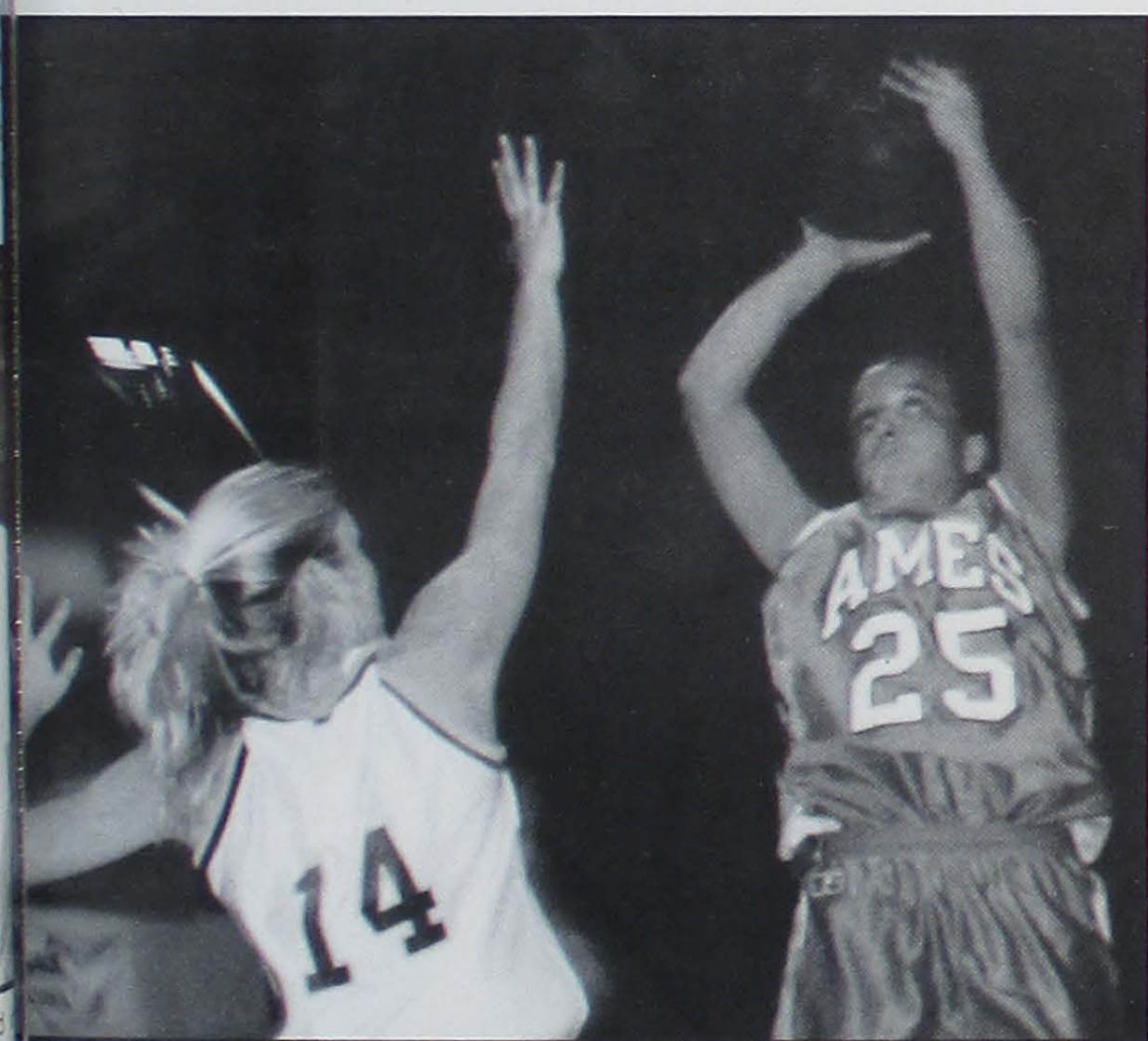
SATURDAY

22
District large Group
Speech Contest
SAT Testing
(10/V) G/BB @ SE Polk
(9/10) WR @
Marshalltown Invite
V/WR Pleasant Valley



Rawling out, sophomore **Dan Bretz** pushes his weight onto an Urbandale wrestler. Moving into this position put the

112 lbs. wrestler into a key position to flip his opponent over to get the pin. (photo by Julie Song)



ior **Beth Peterson** takes a shot against one of the Southeast Polk Rams. ing into halftime we were up by six ts, but what it came down to was that wanted it more. I don't think we

played up to our level. I doubt this situation will happen to us as a team again," Peterson said. This was the first girl's basketball game the team lost, with a score of 50-54. (photo by Amanda Burke)



Juniors **Annie** and **Sylvia Fanous** were just one pair that had to trek through snow flurries to reach school. Some questioned the effort. "It was way too cold to be out, especially to be going to

school. I would much rather have been in my nice warm bed," A. Fanous said. Ames was the only school in the area that didn't cancel school that day. (photo by Julie Prindle)



The One Act performances were put together by the performers themselves. In this scene, from left to right, senior **Shawn Sebastian**, junior **Ryan Lott**, sophomore **Jon Russell** and senior **Wayne Shyy** acted out their own version of the televi-

sion show M*A*S*H, as a team of doctors tried to raise Lott from the dead. The evening of One Acts, held on a Thursday night, prepared the actors well for the pressures of their contest held the following Saturday. (photo by Amy Chung)

January

SUNDAY

23
Girls Youth BB Tourn

MONDAY

24
Honors Class Parent Meeting
9th Registration/Parent Meeting
(JV)B/BB @ Ft. Dodge
(JV)G/BB Ft. Dodge

TUESDAY

25
(9/10/V) B/BB @ Valley
(9/10/V) G/BB Valley

MAGIC OF THE NIGHT

High school "Houdini" amazes student body

by Amy Chung

From a fascination of wizards and spells, emerged a young and eager magician. At the age of 2, when the majority of us amused ourselves with dolls and Legos, junior **Nate Staniforth** discovered the amusement of magic. He was an explorer who took his curiosity to the next level. At his own night of magic, it was apparent that his hard work and dedication paid-off.

As a fund-raising proposition through Key Club, Nate was able to share his elusive talent with the student body as well as the community. The sold out show packed the auditorium and the audience was kept in awe by mind-boggling magic. Without a doubt, the two

evenings of magic were a tremendous success. The two shows raised \$2200 dollars, which was donated to a worthwhile charity selected by Key Club.

"It was basically the past nine years of my life incorporated into an hour and a half show," Staniforth said. From walking through brick walls to making people disappear, it was an evening filled with amazement and wonder. Later in the evening, Staniforth went beyond all expectations when he sat down at the piano and serenaded the spellbound audience. Staniforth's wit, charm, and humor, combined with his love for magic, created a delightful evening for people of all ages.



Junior **Nate Staniforth** takes a break from the magic show to entertain the crowd with a reenactment of *Romeo and Juliet*. Nate enjoyed his moment in the spot light

as he stroked the keyboard. "It was my first big show, and it was a great feeling to perform in front of such an enthusiastic audience." (photo by Amy Chung)



With assistance from a member of the audience, junior **Nate Staniforth** transforms a paper rose into a genuine red

rose. With a poof of fire and bit of magic, Staniforth had the audience mesmerized. (photo by Amy Chung)



The pep band was always known for its loudness at varsity basketball home games. A lot of the intensity came from the largest and loudest section of the band, the trumpets. Fans in the stands

reacted to the music by cheering loudly and getting more into the game. The band also added life to their section of the stands by having theme nights such as hat night. (photo by Melisse Owens)

WEDNESDAY

26
I-BB

THURSDAY

27
B/SW @ Carroll
WR @ Johnston

FRIDAY

28
Young People's Concert
1:15
(10/V) B/BB Indianola
(10/V) G/BB Indianola

SATURDAY

29
WR Jack Mendenhall
Invite
(JV) G/BB @ Dowling
Science Bowl Champion-
ships



Sophomore **Diane Borcharding** dribbles the ball on her left trying to drive past a Valley player. The last victory over the Tigers had been close so the team needed to come out strong. Luckily, they did, earning their win. (photo by Mike Freiberg)



Undergartner Carrie Packer mimics the dance being performed by freshman cheerleader **Amy Noxon**. Noxon taught dance at the cheer clinic. "It was a great learning experience working with the kids. They looked up to us," sophomore **Katie McHugh** said. (photo by Mike Freiberg)



Nurse **Becky McKibben** applies an ice pack to freshmen **Alex Alechine's** eye, which was hit by a stray rubberband. "It was the busiest place in the whole school. We were never alone," McKibben said.

Helping ninety to one-hundred students a day, it was no small wonder these important caregivers deserved recognition on National Nurse day. (photo by Rita Carter)



Freshman **Ursula Dial** demonstrates a scale on her cello to fourth grade elementary school students. The Young People's Concert was an opportunity for band and

orchestra students to recruit future musicians. The young listeners were intrigued by all the different instruments. (photo by Amy Chung)

Jan/Feb

SUNDAY

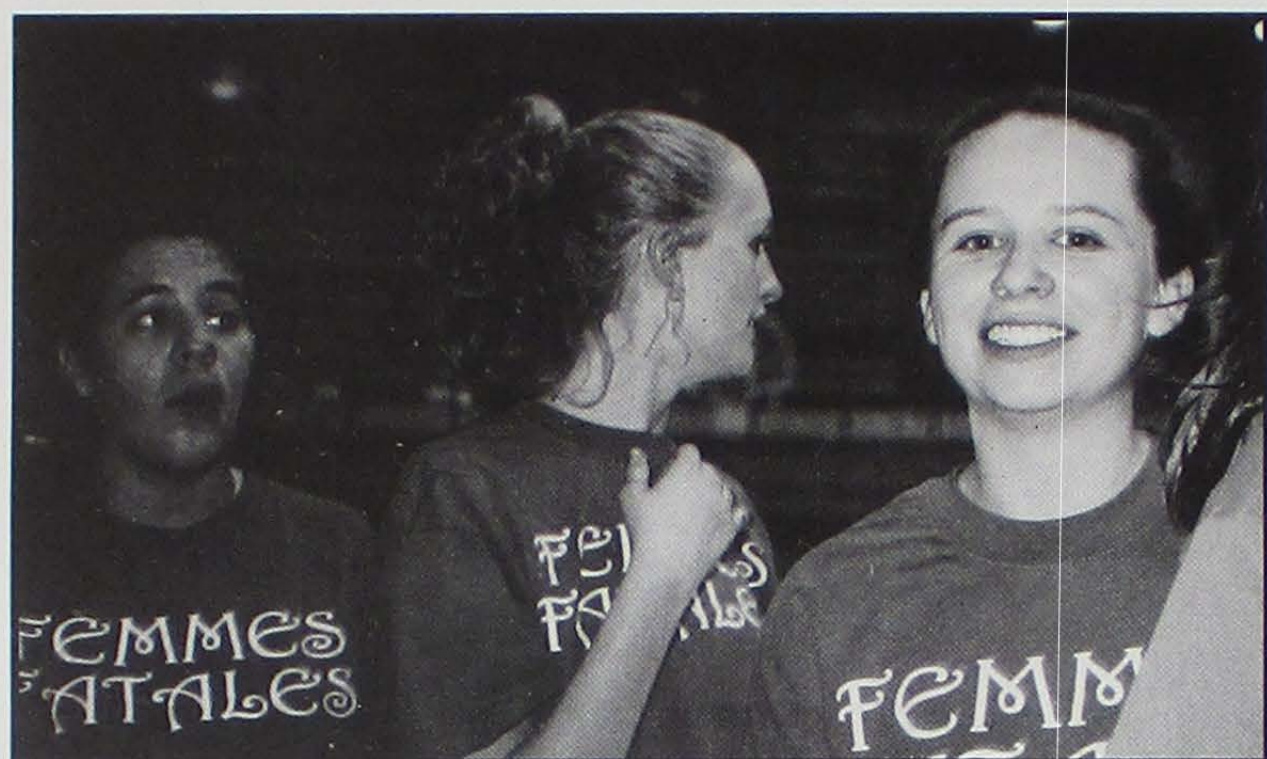
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MONDAY

Honors Class Parent Meeting
(JV) BB @ Johnston
(JV) G/BB Johnston

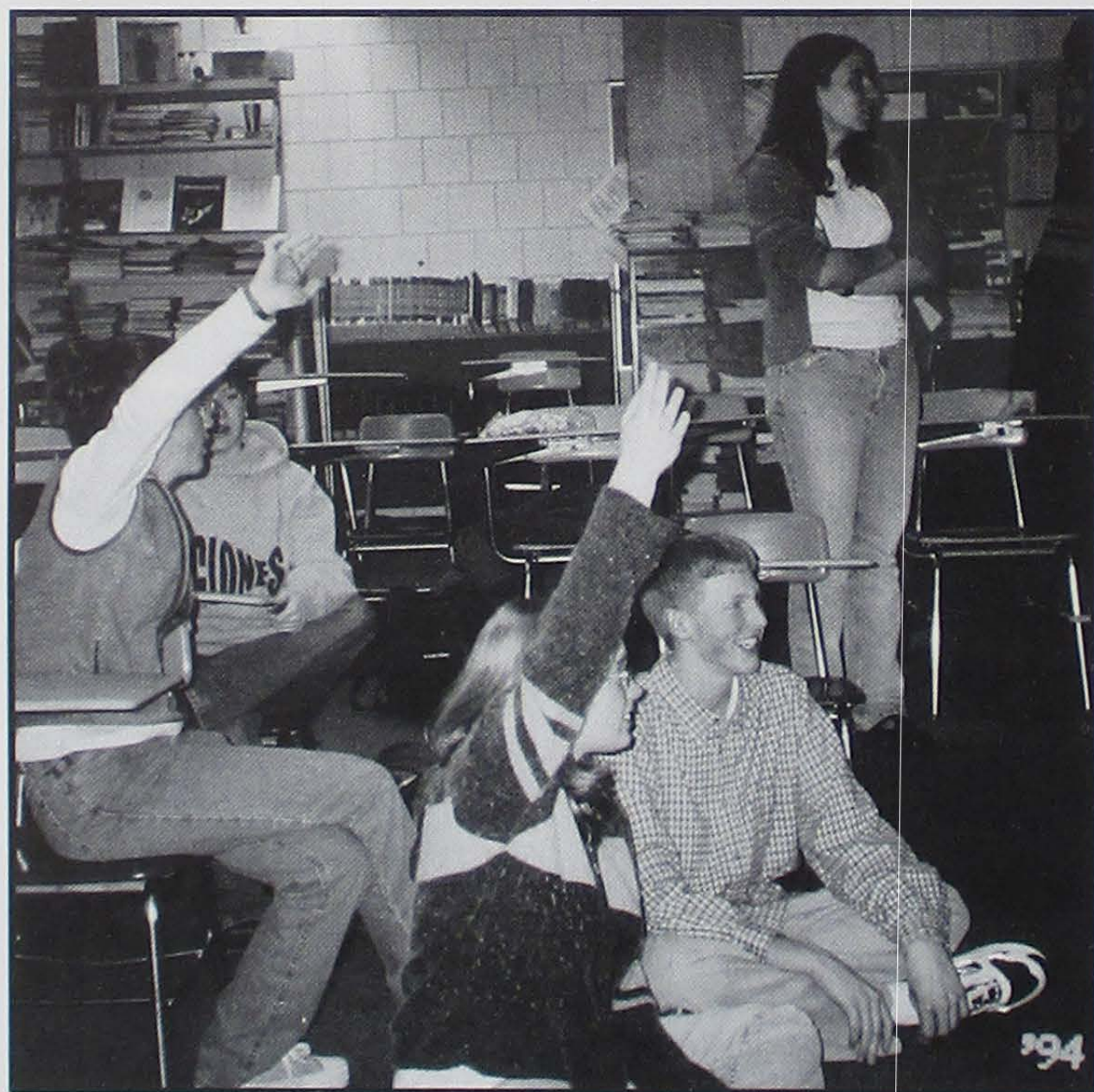
TUESDAY

(9/10/V) B/BB @ Fort Dodge
(9/10V) G/BB Fort Dodge
National Freedom Day
African-American History Month



Junior **Alison Buck** smiles as her team wins an I-Ball game, placing her team in the finals. The *Femmes Fatales*, junior Emily Nau's team, was undefeated when

it won its game against the *Carebears*. Because of their win, they advanced to play *On the Job* for the final game. (photo by Julie Prindle)



On a typical Friday afternoon, members of the new Movie Club vote on which movie to watch. The club's presidents were sopho-

mores **Nate Logston**, **Devin Walker**, and **Adam Larson**. Fridays were a favorite day for all members. (photo by Julie Prindle)



Freshman **Megan Cross** and sophomore **Jennifer Lowry** count the apple sale's money. Student council members volun-

teered their time to sponsor the event for Teacher Appreciation Week. (photo by Melissa Heer)

The Return of Punxsutawney Phil

The return of Punxsutawney Phil, the famous groundhog, was accompanied by another ordinary day as follows:

Once again, Bill Murray appeared in *Groundhog Day* as a TV special, 45% of Americans washed dishes in a dishwasher, 98% of Americans watched TV, Iowa was the tenth most popular state for raising children, Iowa's dropout rate for students in 10th, 11th, and 12th grades was 5%, Tom Vilsack was the Iowa Governor, the national average life expectancy was 76.5 years, the average marriage age of grooms was 27 and 25 for brides, and the most common male and female names in the U.S. were James and Mary. And Punxsutawney Phil saw his shadow for the 97th time in 111 years.

(infoplease.lycos.com)

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

2
G/TR First Practice
I-BB

3
WR @ Newton

4
(9/10/V) B/BB @ Mason
City
(9/10/V) G/BB Mason City

5
State Large Group Speech
Contest
B/SW Conf @
Marshalltown
(9/10) WR @ Urbandale
Tourn
WR Conference @ Ankeny

Mr. Carlson on Being Selected as Staff Person of the Semester

interview by Julie Prindle

SPIRIT: What was your reaction when student council announced in the staff meeting that you were the Staff Person of the Semester?

Mr. Carlson: I should have made some clever comment but I was so surprised that I didn't know what to say.

SPIRIT: Do you think you deserved the award?

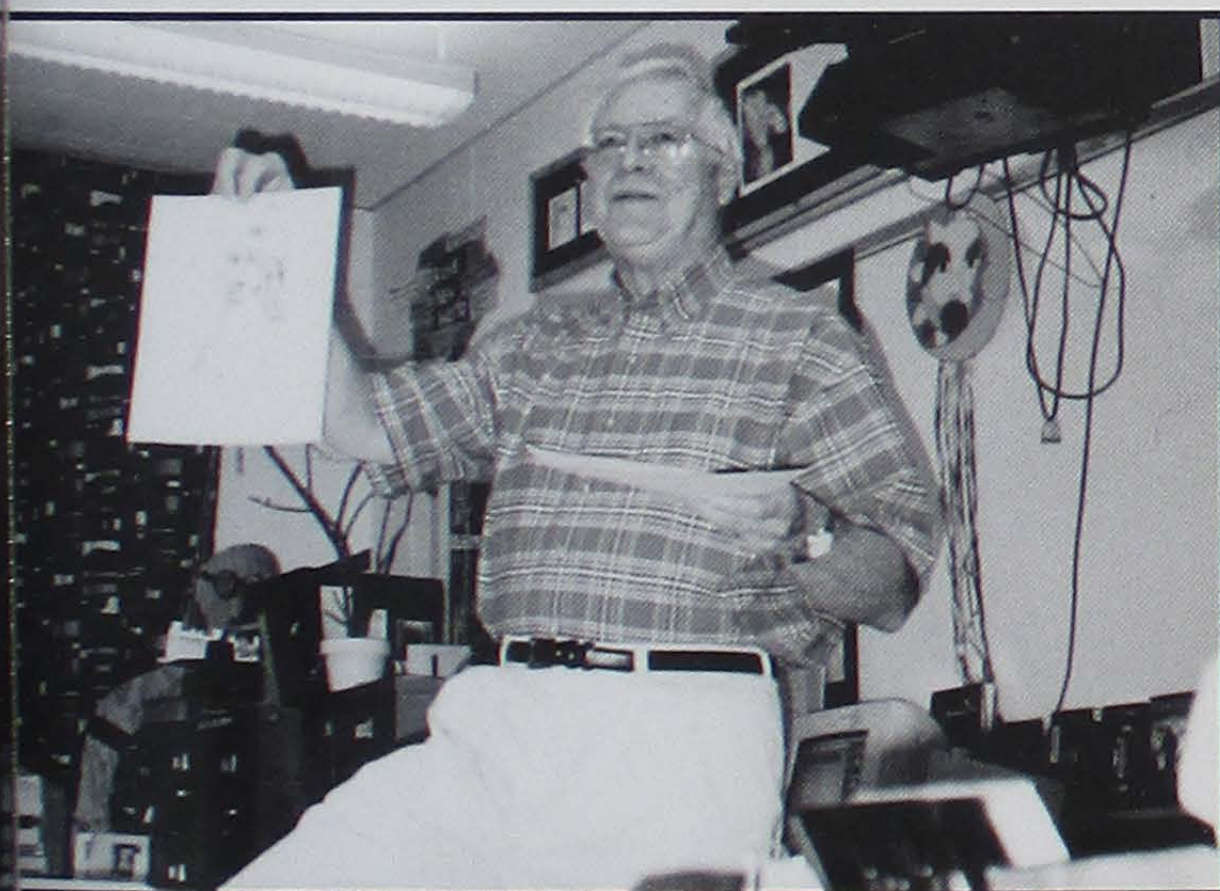
Mr. Carlson: I do not think any teacher does; it is very humbling.

SPIRIT: Did you ever imagine you would receive this honor?

Mr. Carlson: You always hope you will [receive the award]. There are some very fine teachers here yet to be named, and hopefully they will receive the appreciation they deserve. In the category of Human Beings, everyone wants to be recognized. The people who give recognition to others always advance with the person they are recognizing.

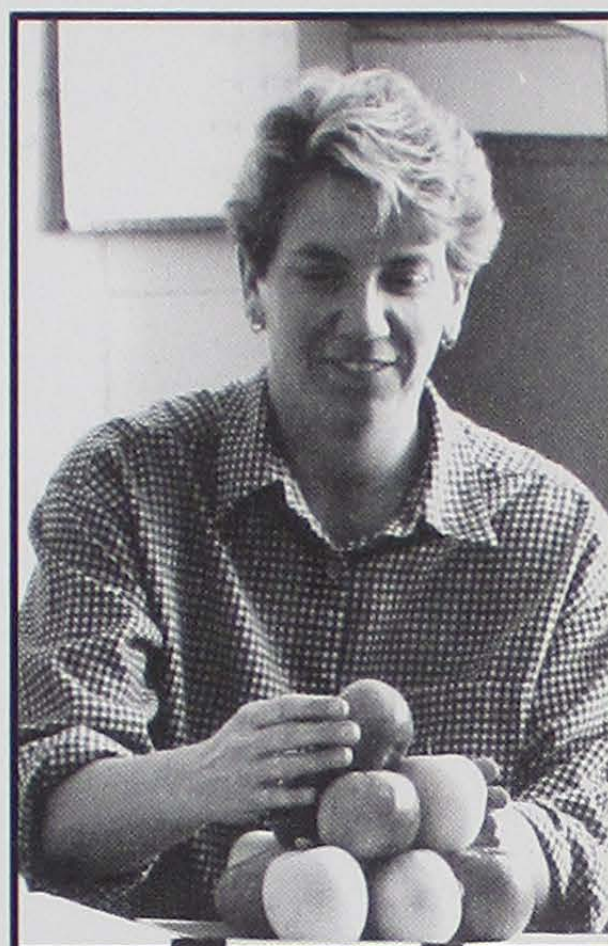
SPIRIT: How does this award motivate you in your teaching?

Mr. Carlson: It is a spur to be a better teacher. We have to remind ourselves that it is a privilege to teach at this school.

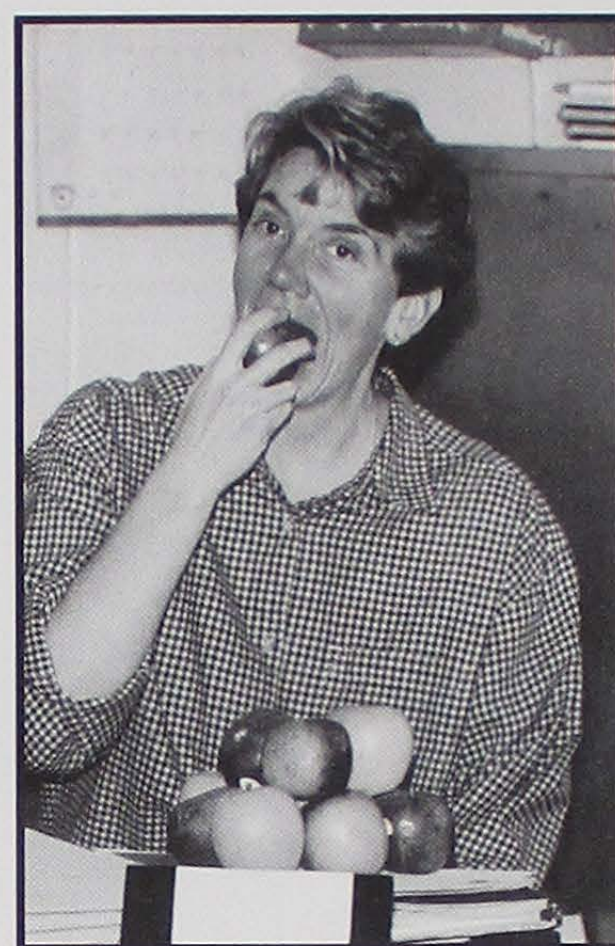


Mr. Carlson displays a student's work to a class in a discussion in his British Literature class. Students liked how Carlson had a story about his own life which related to

the literature and how discussions allowed them to get to know him and each other better. Carlson has taught for over 20 years. (photo by Melissa Heer)



Math teacher **Teresa Testroet** looks at her many apples from admirers. Once she read the notes that accompanied her apples, she quickly indulged herself. Obviously, Ms. Testroet was a favorite teacher of many math students. Teachers enjoyed the fun of receiving apples from their appreciative students, and students enjoyed the benefits reaped from their generosity. (photos by Amy Chung)



Junior **Mark Jacobson**, designer of the new P.E. traversing wall, knows how to give a real balancing act show. P.E. all-

stars enjoyed the introduction to the uncommon sport of mountain climbing. (photo by Melissa Heer)

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February

SUNDAY

6
Dorian Orchestra Festival

MONDAY

7
(9/B&A) B/BB @ Urbandale
(9B&A) G/BB Urbandale
(JV) B/BB @ Johnston
(JV) G/BB Johnston
Dorian Orchestra Festival

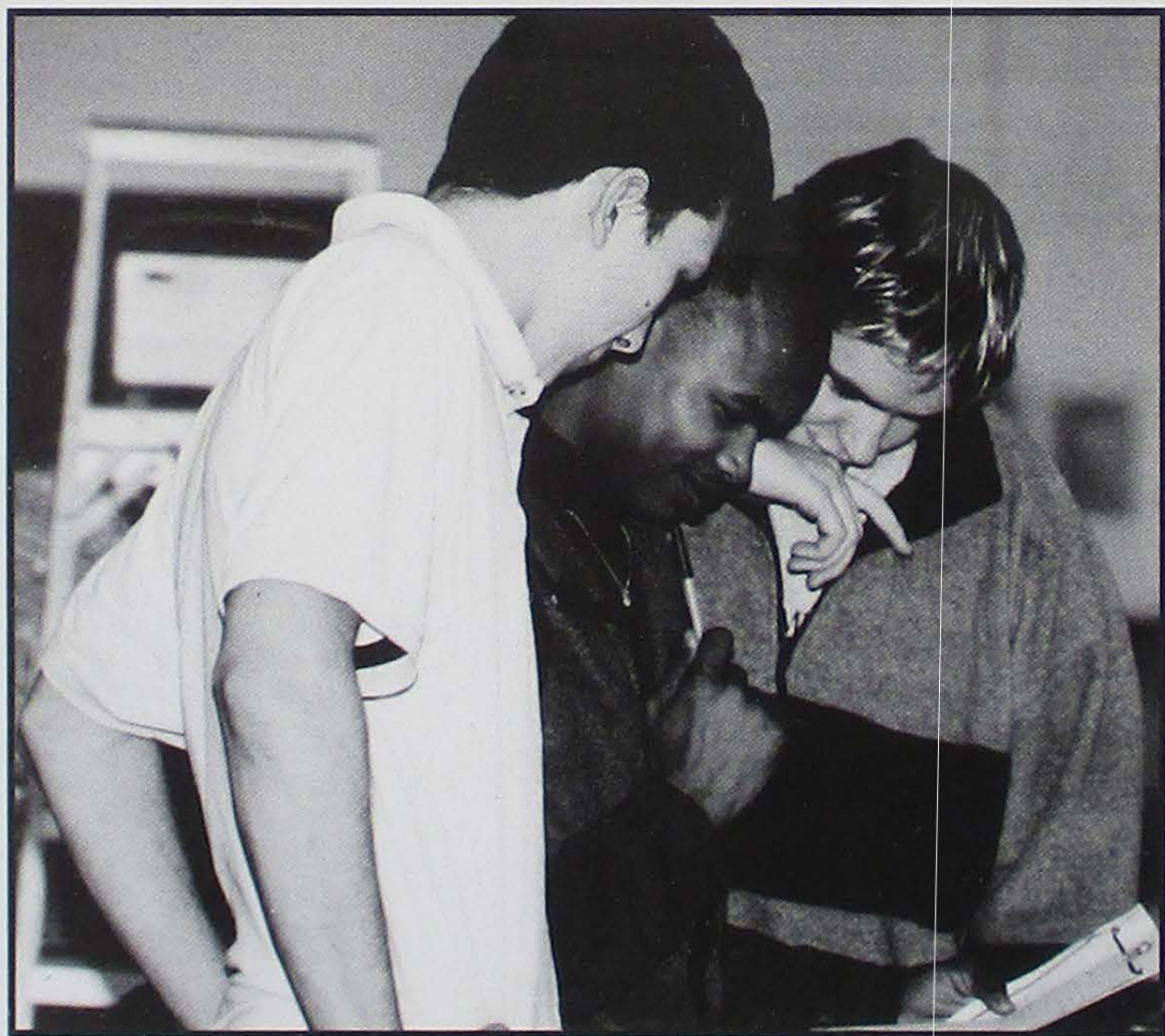
TUESDAY

8
PAC Meeting
(10/V) B/BB @ Urbandale
(10/V) G/BB @ Urbandale

Senior **Emily Weidner** smiles as she places a Valentine's Crown on the head of a senior citizen. A group of students took the day off of school to spread some Valentine cheer to the residents at local retirement communities. Silvercrest, North Grand Care Center and Riverside Manor joined together for the celebration. The students seemed to enjoy the visit just as much as the residents. Because of its positive outcome, visiting nursing homes became a seasonal tradition. (photo by Esther Kindred)



Terpsichore dancers perform junior **Emily Nau's** combined a classical dance style with new choreography of *The World is Quite Enough* to Austin Powers, James Bond theme to create the *Peter Gunn Theme* by Henry Mancini. Nau a fabulous dance. (photo by J. Alexander)



Juniors **Jasper McDonald**, **Lorenzo Taylor** and senior **Dima Tsukruk** chuckle over the results of the Valentine's Day computer dating survey. Students were given the opportunity to fill out a questionnaire and, for \$1.00, purchase the list of compatible people. (photo by Amy Chung)



Full of pep and enthusiasm, senior **Sarah Tapper** gets some major airtime during the Varsity girls' game against Johnston. A lot of responsibility fell on the cheerleaders to motivate the crowd and inspire the players. (photo by Caitlin Clark)

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WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

9
I-BB

10
WR Ankeny
(9/B&A) B/BB @ Johnston
(9 B&A) G/BB @ Johnston
Terpsichore Performance

11
(10/V) B/BB Johnston
(10/V) G/BB Johnston
Terpsichore Performance

12
ACT Testing
B/SW Districts
State Piano Contest
Terpsichore Performance
Abraham Lincoln's Birthday

THE GREEKS WOULD BE PROUD

Terpsichore lives up to its name

by Melissa Heer

To the ancient Greeks, Terpsichore was the god of dance. To the students of Ames High School, Terpsichore was a student choreographed dance program that displayed the talent of a variety of gifted students. According to the audience, the production lived up to its meaningful name. "It looked great. There was a large variety of talent and style. I was entertained from the beginning to the end," sophomore **Cassidy Hall** said. Hall was not the only person amazed by the performance. "I had no idea my brother

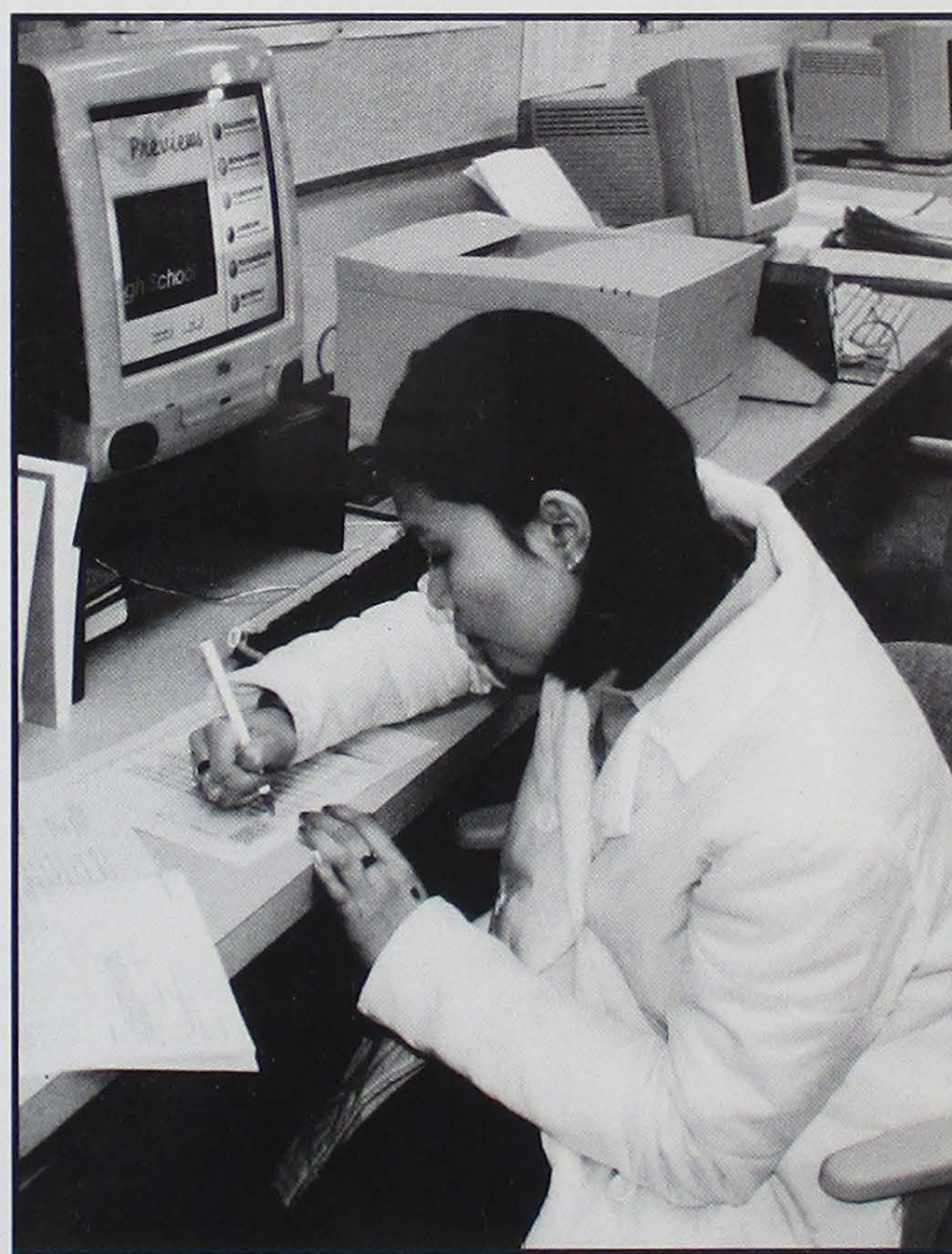
could dance like that," shocked senior **Ava Golchin** said. Apparently her brother, sophomore **Nima Golchin**, was also unaware of his hidden talent. "When the music started I became a different man. My body was able to make amazing movements foreign to me. I *became* Mechanical Man," Golchin said. Golchin was referring to senior **Dan Carter**'s dance entitled "Ames Communities." The dance was choreographed to the song "Mechanical Man" by Divo. Carter's dance was only one among many

unique creations. Dance music ranged from traditional ballet to rap. Junior **Kara Johnson** used body bags and techno to express herself. "I really enjoy putting my art on stage. It's hard work but worth it in the end," Johnson said. The dancers and choreographers were at school until dark the entire week but it paid off in the performances. Terpsichore deserved to share its name with a beautiful Greek goddess. The Greeks would be proud.



Sophomores **Katie Brannan** and **Les Schweikert** demonstrate an "over-the-back" move after the Terpsichore performance. Brannan and Schweikert were members of the final dance, *Blue*. The

performance included back handsprings and the "Worm." Seniors **Jaqui Scanes** and **Sarah Hansen** choreographed the dance. (photo by Abby Lundstrom)



Junior **Agnes Yau** takes a practice test for the ACT. Most students took the ACT or SAT their junior or senior year. Some students used study

guides or paid teachers to help them prepare. Some took the test more than once to try to improve their scores. (photo by Abby Lundstrom)

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February

SUNDAY

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MONDAY

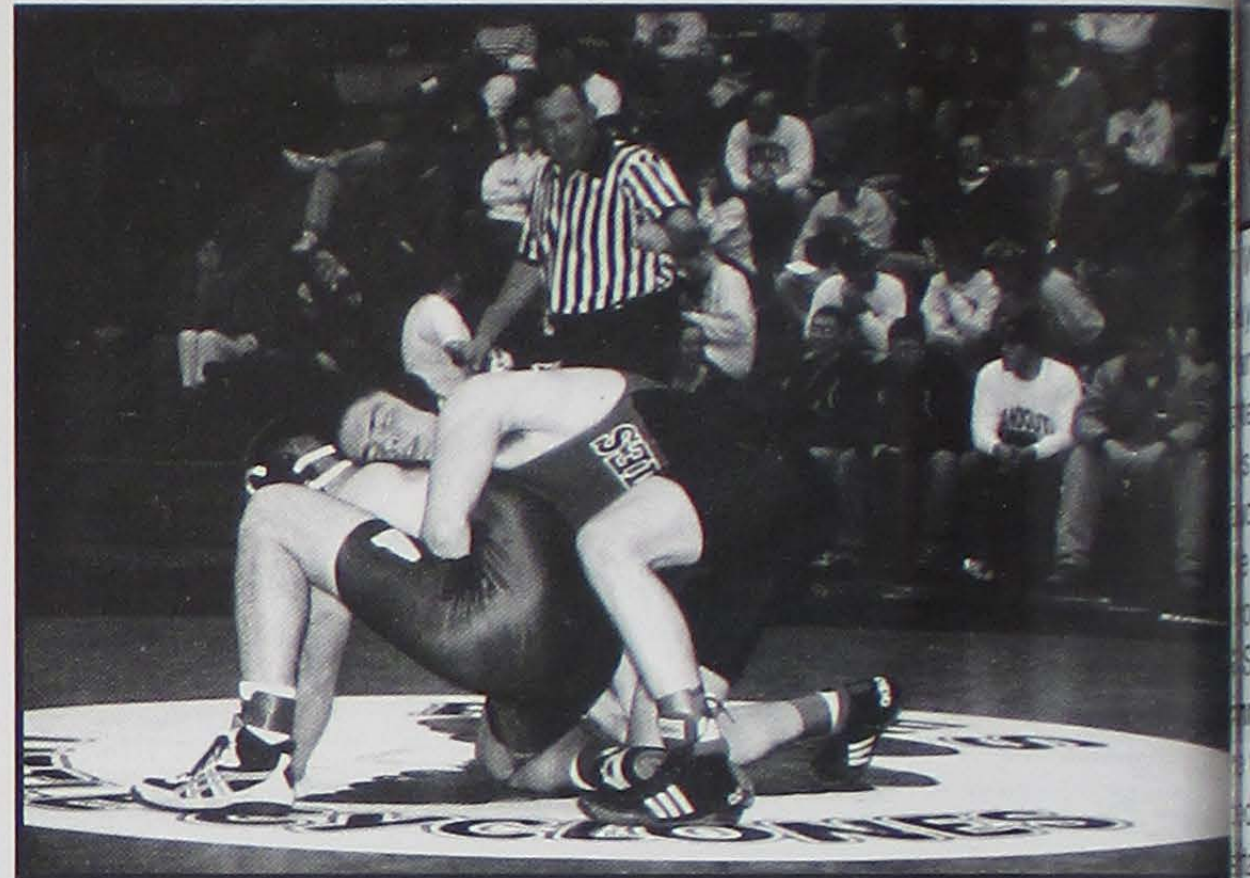
Fine Arts Week
(JV)B/BB Newton
B/TR First Practice
Winter Band Concert
St. Valentine's Day
Brotherhood/Sisterhood
Week 14-18

TUESDAY

15

Fine Arts Week
Winter Choral Concert

Junior **Jamie Smith** takes a moment to admire the art work in the Media Center during Fine Arts Week. The pieces were chosen by the artists and teachers to represent the full array of artistic talent throughout the school. Sculptures, paintings, drawings and jewelry were among the many types of art displayed. "The Art Show was interesting because you got to see artwork done by students you never knew could draw," Smith said. (photo by Rita Carter)



Senior **Andy Sage** holds his opponent with a steel grip in his match against Ankeny. "Wrestling is a way to meet new

people, get in shape and get your competitive feelings out," Sage said. (photo by Rita Carter)



Varsity boys' basketball coach **Denny Cullinan** encourages his players during a timeout. They beat the Newton Cardinals with a score of 57-43. (photo by Melisse Owen)



Juniors **Chris Norris** and **Neal McAndrews** perform on their basses during the Fine Arts Assembly. "Since basses are scarce,

people think it's awesome when they see one," McAndrews said. "Sometimes guests are even impressed." (photo by Rita Carter)

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WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

16
Fine Arts Week

17
Fine Arts Week
G/BB Regionals
(JV) WR PIN Tournament

18
Fine Arts Week
B/SW State
(9/10/V) B/BB Newton

19
All-State Large Group
Speech Festival
B/SW State
WR Districts

FINE IN THE LIME

Students' talents shown off during Fine Arts Week

by Ben Stover

Walking down the main hallway towards the back lobby, many students took a left turn and entered a haven deemed the fine arts wing. The fruits of these students' labors were shown to the school and community throughout Fine Arts Week.

Seniors **Gina Russell** and **Linea Woline** co-coordinated the week with an art show in the media center, workshops from the Ogon and the Fine Arts assembly.

The week was a time for many students to show their talents to the school and community without the distractions of athletics," **Wine** said.

The art show consisted of paintings, 3-D models, jewelry and hand and computer made drawings. Some of the students art work that was displayed noted awards they won at the Central Iowa Regional Scholastic Art Contest. "I thought it was a good way to show these people's efforts," senior award winner **Matt**

Mize said. "I had people coming up and congratulating me [about my self-portrait] all week."

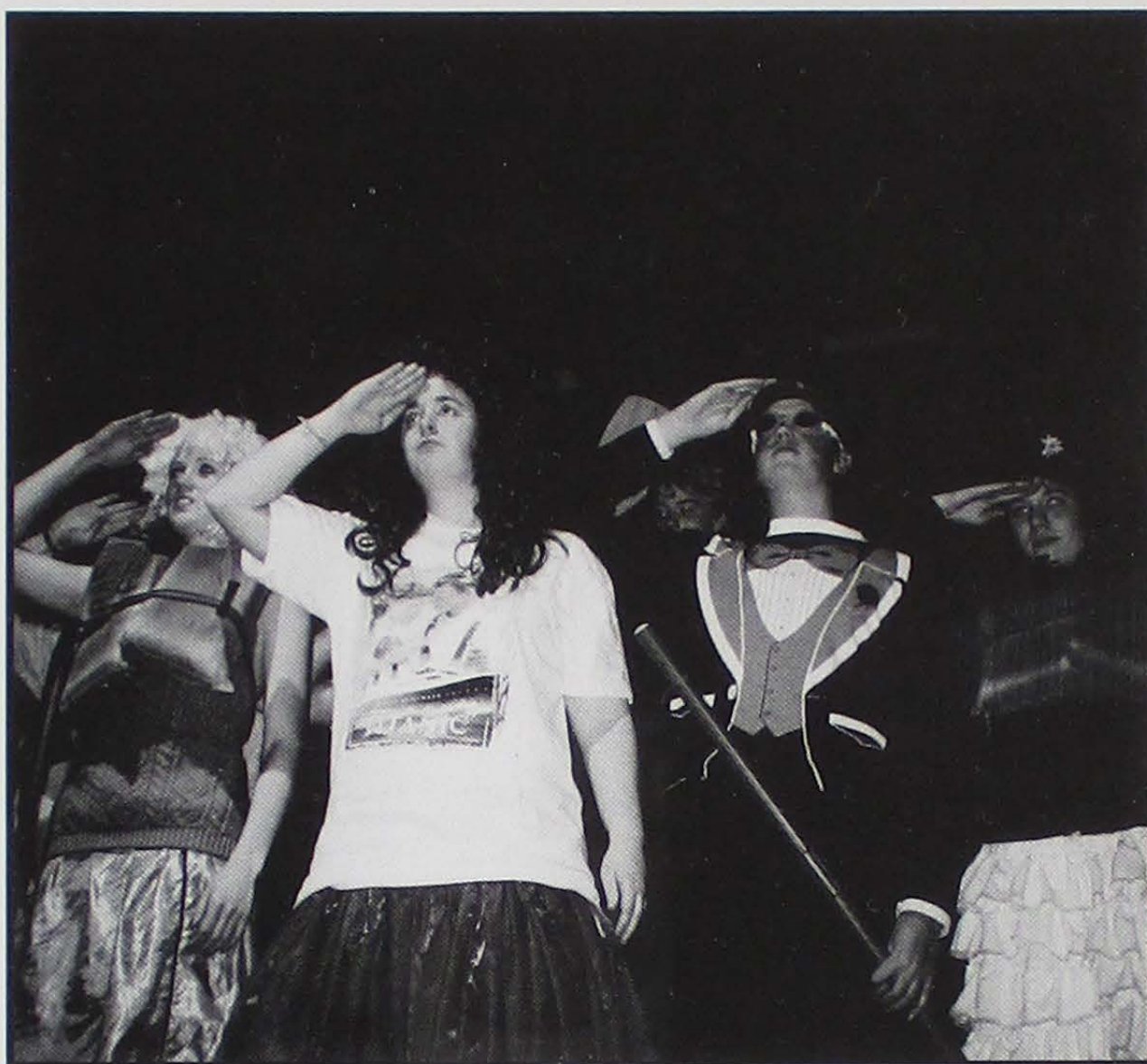
Another highlight of the week was the fine arts assembly. It let each of the individual groups in different areas of Fine Arts show students what they had accomplished. The assembly featured musical talents from the jazz band, chorus, orchestra and the sousaphone section. The assembly also created a chance for many clubs like the Thespians, Titanic Club, Speech Club and Scratch Pad to be involved. To end the assembly, the first ever student-created fashion show featured original designs and was orated by **Bob Uetz** and **Bev Best**. "I thought it was smashing!" **Uetz** said. "It should be done again and again."

Overall, students felt that the week was very interesting. "I liked that I got to see all the different ways that students can express themselves in the arts," senior **Mark Larwick** said.



Accompanied by the entire sousaphone section, junior **Chris Parrish** struts across the stage in shades singing *What the World Needs Now* to the audience's

delight. "What the world really needs is a dose of sousaphones every once in a while," senior sousaphone player **Lindsay Van Fleet** said. (photo by Chung)



Members of the newly founded Titanic Club salute the audience. Senior leader, **Leslie Hall**, started this club from her love of the hit movie *Titanic*. One of the objectives of the club was to reenact the movie with added humor. The members

were juniors **Laura Wilson**, **Matt Stolmeier**, **Jessica Kinyon**, **John LaVille** and sophomore **Dorota Pruski**. Their performance provided many laughs and received a large amount of recognition for the club. (photo by Rita Carter)



Sophomores **Sarah Beisser**, **Jon Russell**, **Breanna Peterson** and **Nate Ward** demonstrate the frightening aspects of driver's education through a mime performance.

As members of Speech Club, they used non-verbal expression to invoke feeling and emotion without the use of their voices. (photo by Melisse Owen)

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Making and eating their snow sculptures are juniors **Erica Lynn, Laura Wilson, Bri Staff, Amy Chung, Erin Martin** and **Leslie Westgate**, who spent the first and

only snow day that Ames High experienced all year in the great outdoors. Students took full advantage of their time off. (photo courtesy of Graham Van Horn)

How did you spend your one and only snow day?

compiled by Rita Carter

"Within the comforts of my sheets, I stayed nestled in my warm waterbed."

- senior **Trey Burge**

"I had to shovel ten driveways."

- junior **Ben Swenson**

"I spent the day sledding and making snow sculptures."

- junior **Laura Wilson**

"I was breeding a mix of hamsters of Siberian Gray and Teddy Bear hamsters."

- junior **Matt Stolmeier**

"I slept 'til twelve and walked around my house in my underwear."

- freshman **David Fricke**

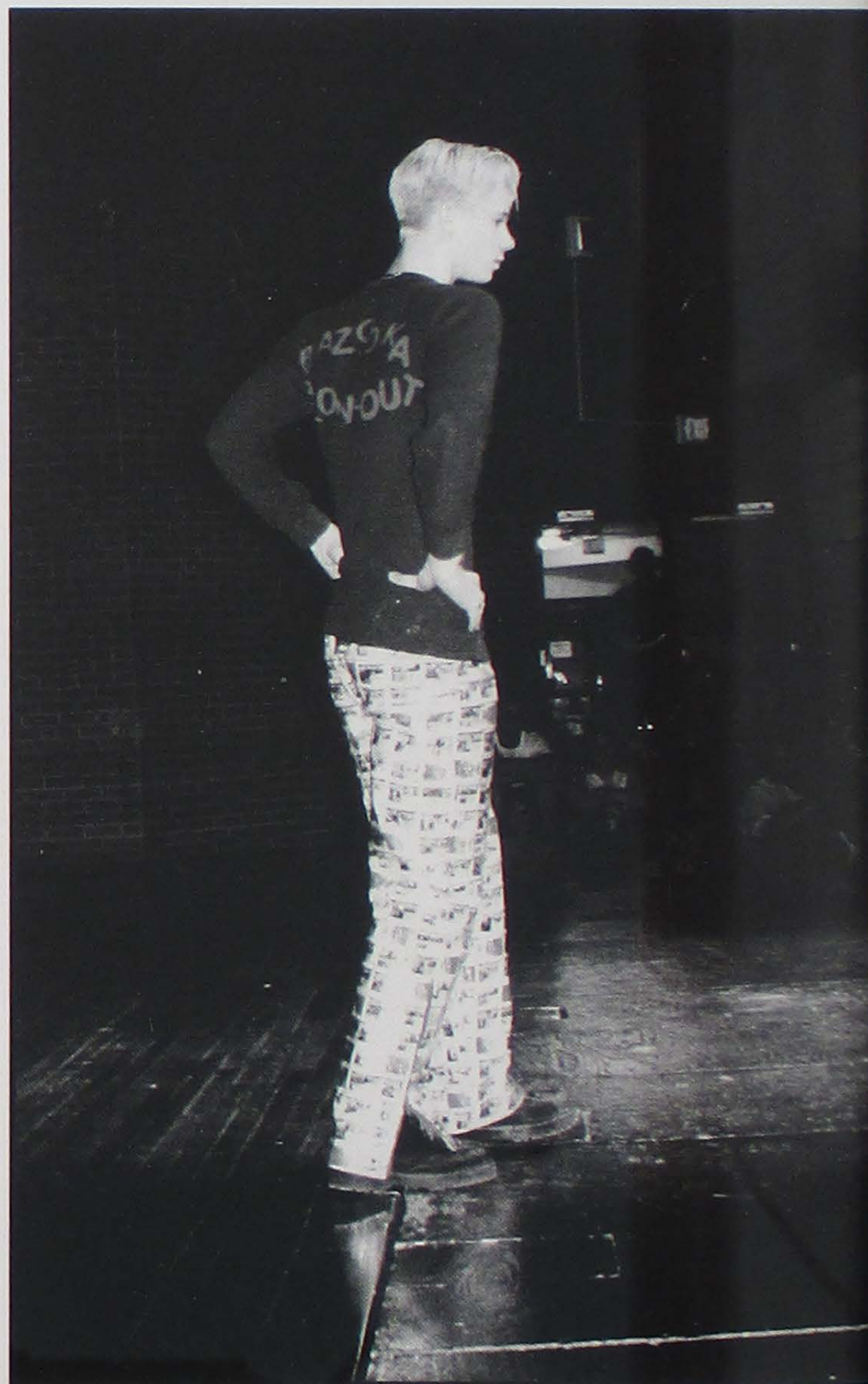
"I slept and slothed around like Alex Greenfield does everyday."

-freshman **Billy Fennelly**



Several sophomores sit and enjoy the entertaining skits during the Fine Arts Assembly. The Fine Arts Assembly celebrated many different forms of art, such as acting, poetry and dancing. "I found

great delight in attending an assembly that wasn't about responsibility. I was really impressed with the students performances," senior **Ben Wendel** said. (photo by Melisse Owen)



Sophomore **Les Schweikert** models his self-designed "Bazooka Blowout" outfit. Schweikert made the pants himself over winter break, stitching the bubblegum

wrappers into plastic pants. During assembly, other student designers and their models got the opportunity to showcase their own work. (photo by M. Owen)



After crush cans were passed out in the cafeteria on Valentine's Day, junior **Carol Nunez** met with some of her friends in the junior/senior room to compare messages. For a mere 50 cents,

Student Council sold Crush cans for students to send to the guys and gals they had crushes on. There were approximately 2000 crush cans sent throughout the school. (photo by Rita Carter)



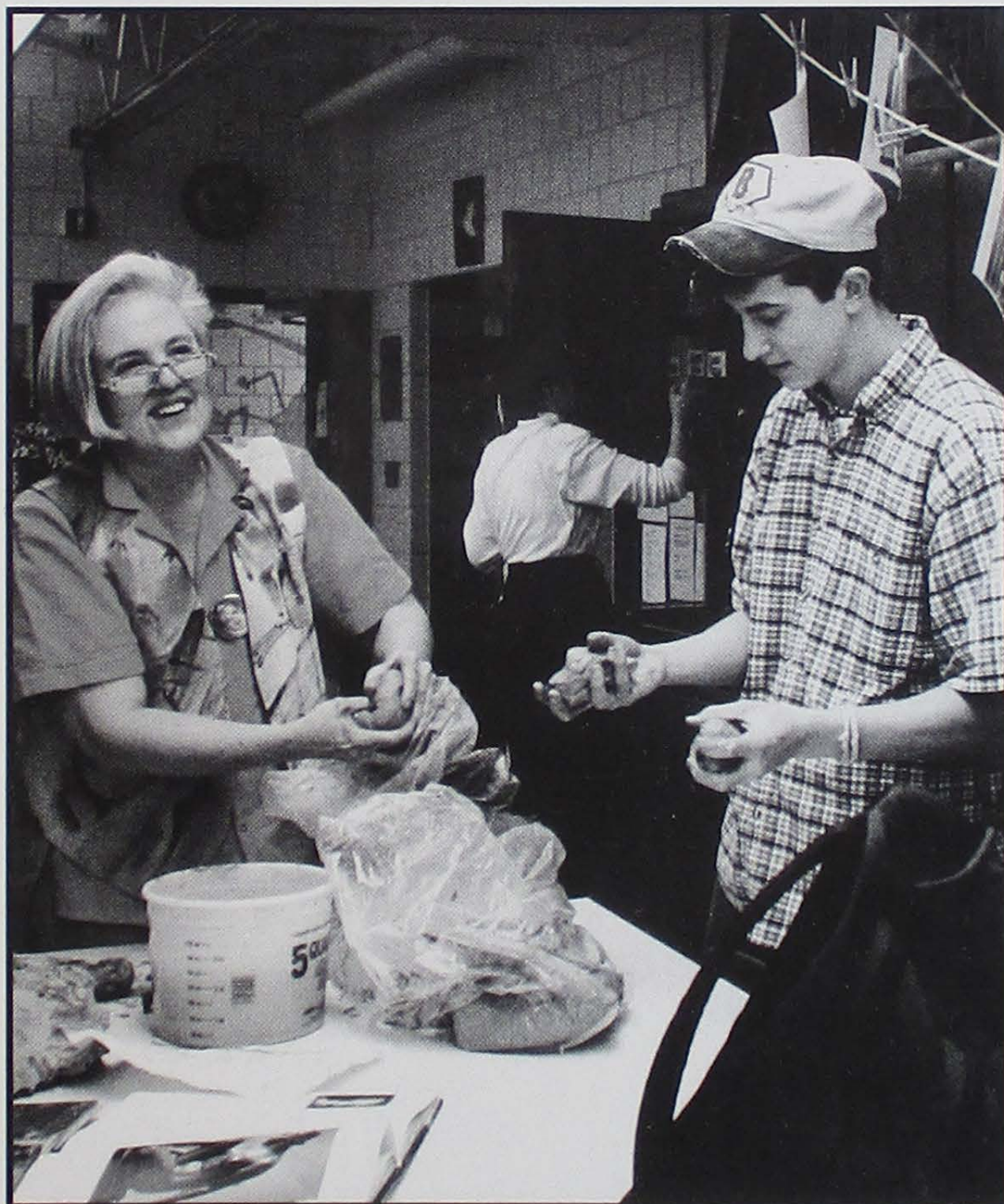
Sophomore **Matt Lueth** buys a carnation from freshman **Carol Nunez** in the spirit of Valentine's Day. The freshmen quartet continued the tradition of raising

money for future activities by selling carnations around Valentine's Day, making it easy for students to surprise their crushes or friends. (photo by J. Alexander)



Members of the girls' basketball team anxiously listen as Coach **Bruce Vertanen** goes over game strategy during a time-out against East High School.

After winning the game, the girls went on to win the Regional title. The girls' games often drew an exciting crowd during the school year. (photo by Melisse Owen)



Senior **Giles Slocum** enjoys expressing his artistic vision with guest Jo Meyers-Walker, a local Ames artist. Meyers-Walker brought in clay and her talent to

guide the students. The workshop's motive was to show interested students how to portray facial expressions through pottery. (photo by Melissa Heer)

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MONDAY

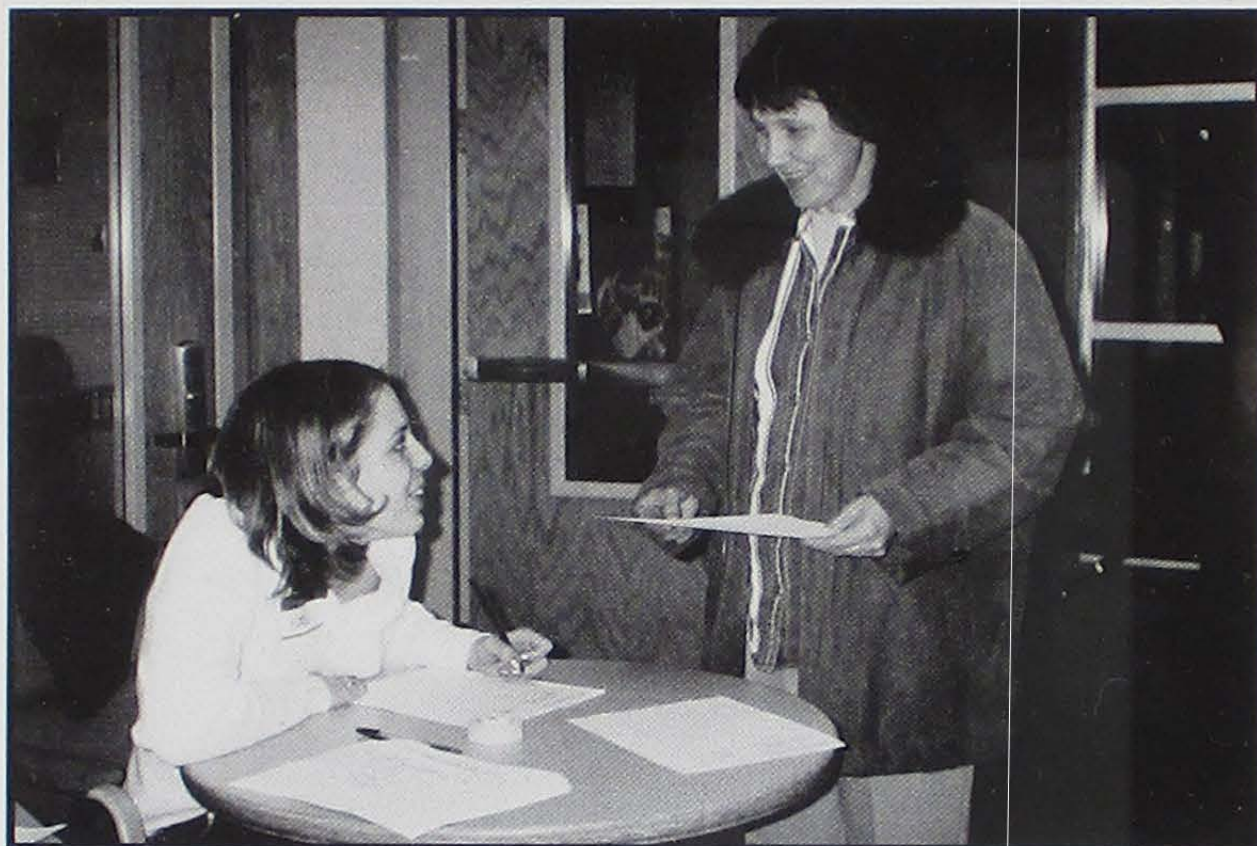
School Board Meeting
Winter Orchestra Concert

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TUESDAY

14

Activity Overload: Another Week of Chaos



Senior **Kate Downing** smiles as she helps a parent during Back-to-School Night. Second semester's Back-to-School Night

was an opportunity for parents to visit and meet with their children's second semester teachers. (photo by Julie Prindle)



Parents gather on the steps to visit as they walk through their children's class schedules during Back-to-School Night. Teachers found the night to be beneficial. "With the lack of confer-

ences here, there needs to be another time for parents to come to classes and communicate with their children's teachers," teacher **Lori Stephenson** said. (photo by Julie Prindle)

What do President's Day, State Wrestling, and Teacher Workshop Day all have in common?

compiled by Ann Benson and Julie Prindle

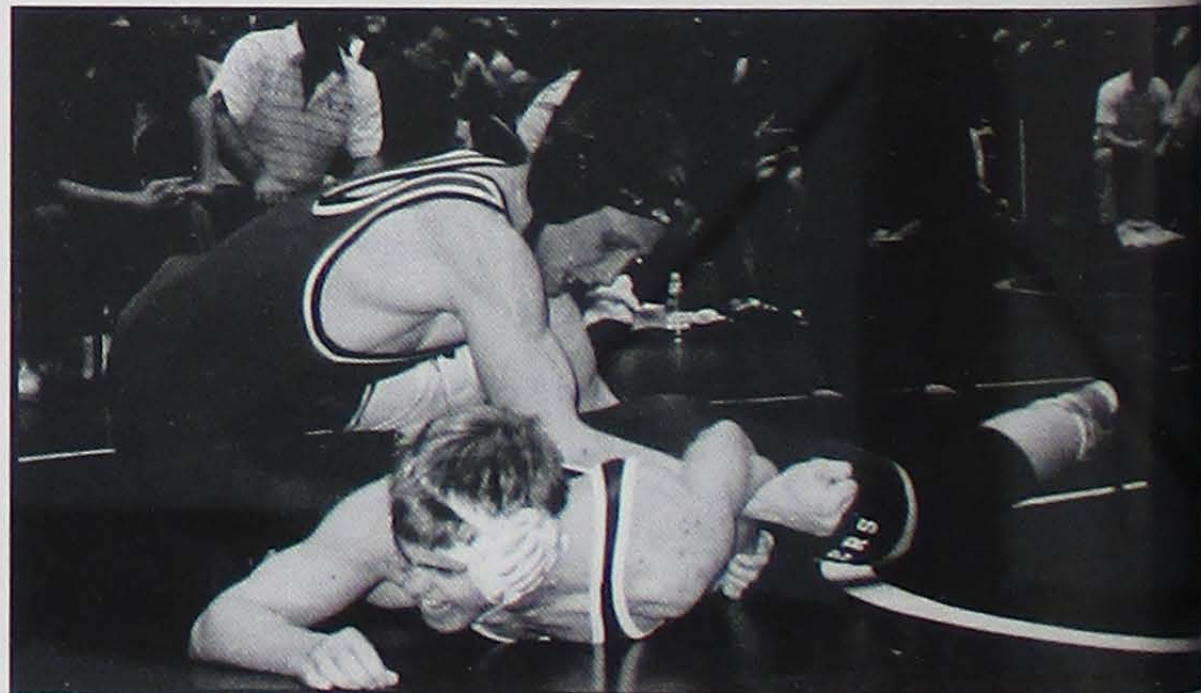
"We should get out of school on each of these days to cheer on Ames High presidents, wrestlers and teachers at their respective competitions."
- senior **Geoff Roughton**

"As far as I know, wrestling is not an official state in this Union."
- senior **Matt Dake**

"They are all excellent excuses to ride roller racers down really big hills."
- junior **Nate Staniforth**

"They get little or no recognition."
- junior **Meghan Smith**

"Everyone gets cheese."
- freshman **Mike Jones**



Senior **Brandon Winkey** pins his opponent, becoming the first state champion wrestler from Ames High since 1987. Winkey beat his last opponent in the 145 pound weight cat-

egory with a score of 9-8. Winkey accompanied by teammates juniors **Joey Tucker** and **Michael Heitzman** at the state meet. (photo by Rita Carter)

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WEDNESDAY

23
Career Fair

THURSDAY

24
Back-to-School Night
WR State

FRIDAY

25
District-Wide Workshop Day
No School
9/10/V B/BB at Ankeny
G/BB Regionals
WR State

SATURDAY

26
District Individual Speech
Contest
G/BB Regionals
WR State



Junior **Gretchen Theesfield** smiles with satisfaction as she plays her violin during the orchestra concert. The orchestra

concert included performances of elementary, middle school and high school musicians. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



representative of the Professional Cosmetology Institute paints sophomore **Stephanie Brunia's** nails during the Career Fair. Businesses from around Ames

came to the school gym to share their expertise with students. The fair exposed students to possible career opportunities in the community. (photo by Julie Prindle)



Junior **John Kim** serves the ping-pong while giving his opponent an intimidating look. Kim participated in I-Pong, a newly-formed ping-

pong club. "Anyone is welcome. It is not a competition, although we plan to have some in the future," Kim said. (photo by R. Carter)



Members of the girls' basketball team celebrate, anxious to congratulate one another after their win against Oskaloosa.

The girls' win allowed them to advance to the state competition for the first time in 21 years. (photo by Amanda Burke)

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Feb/Mar

SUNDAY

Dorian Band
Festival

27

MONDAY

B/BB Substate
Dorian Band Festival

28

TUESDAY

B/BB Substate
Leap year

29



Doing her part to save the world, senior **Elizabeth Beavers** sorts through paper to be recycled. Beavers was a dedicated member of 100th Green Butterfly, a group committed to environmental restoration. "I think 100th Green Butterfly is an essential component to our school because it inspires environmental awareness and opens the possibility for those concerned to get involved," Beavers said. The group met every Monday and Wednesday. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



"I would like to thank all of the great actors," senior **Adam Faeth** said when accepting his award for "best special effects" in a film. His film included com-

edy, computer animated explosions and pie throwing. Surprisingly, students were given complete freedom when making their movies. (photo by Jen Alexander)

MAKING THE BIG SCREEN

Film Festival provides entertainment and charity

by Melissa Heer

The auditorium reached its full capacity Friday night due to the Thespians' second annual Film Festival. The oversized crowd was quite the contrast from the size of the first year's audience. "Last year, we only started advertising the festival before Spring Break. This year we advertised before Spring Break, before Winter Break and before Thanksgiving. We also had the opportunity to advertise at the Fine Arts Assembly. Students basically had the whole year to prepare a movie and we had over twenty entries," senior **Ben Stark** said. Stark was the main coordinator, judge and host for the film festival with senior

Shawn Sebastian. Advisor of Thespians, **Sean Sabo**, speculated that it wasn't only the early advertisement that attracted so many people. "I think that last year's festival proved to the students that freedom of expression was welcomed. Students realized this and became willing to share their talent," Sabo said. Twenty films were submitted, but the Thespians only had time to show ten of them. A panel of judges selected the films that they thought would be the most enjoyable for the audience. A variety of awards were given, ranging from "best special effects" to "best script." However, in the end, the enjoyment felt by audience members

was the filmmakers' greatest prize. "It was a good cause and I enjoyed seeing films made by my fellow students, especially Sebastian and Kostic. Their work was most triumphant," senior **Ben Wendel** said. Unfortunately, Wendel was not the person senior **Bogdan Kostic** hoped to impress. "I hoped girls would find me attractive. It is now painfully clear my plan has failed," a melancholy Kostic said. Fortunately, Kostic's sadness was overlooked by the most positive element of the film festival; the Thespians were able to give over a thousand dollars to the Battered Women Shelter of Ames.

WEDNESDAY

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B/BB Substate

THURSDAY

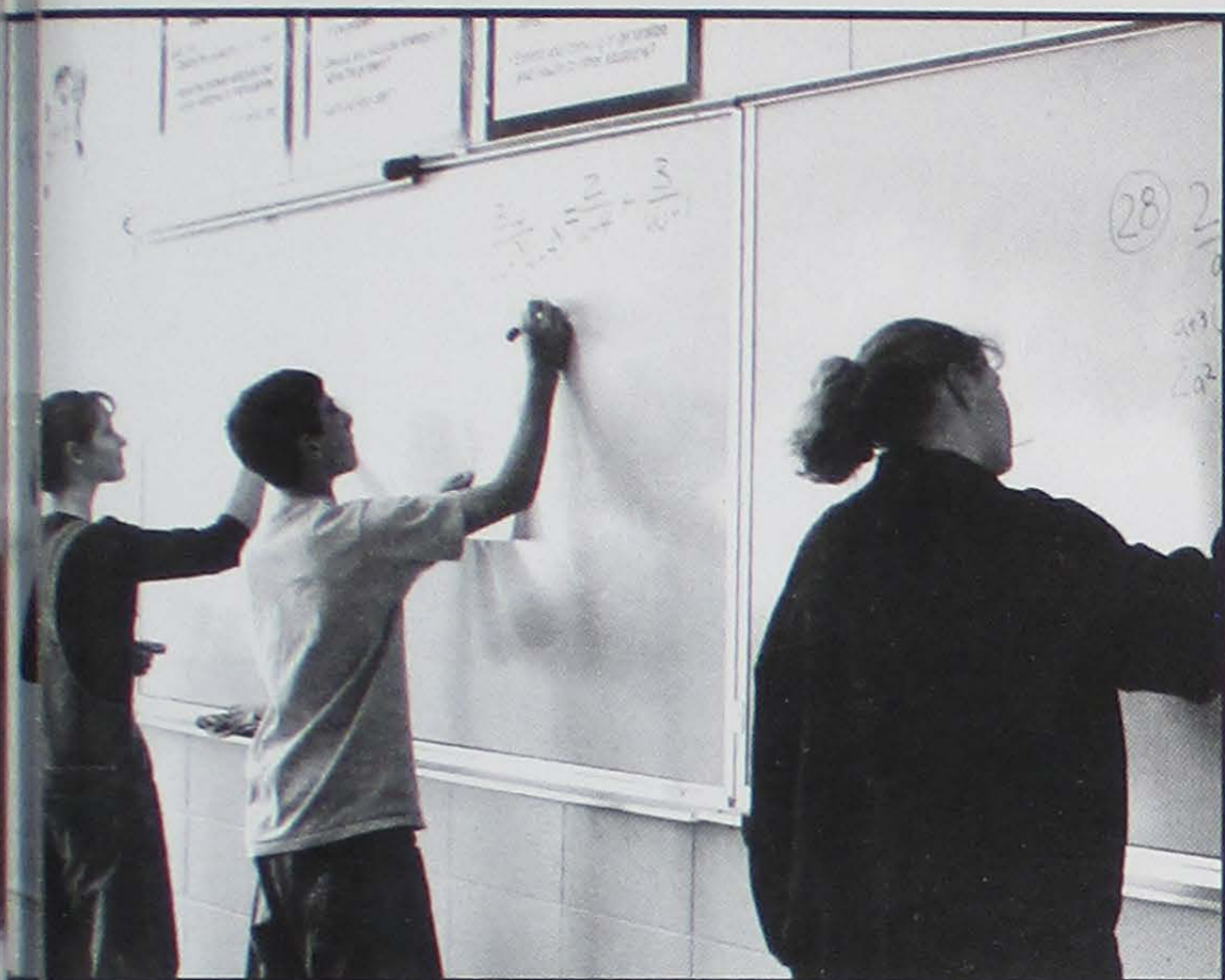
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B/BB Substate
Jazz Encounters

FRIDAY

3
B/TR @Warrior Indoor
B/BB Substate
Film Festival

SATURDAY

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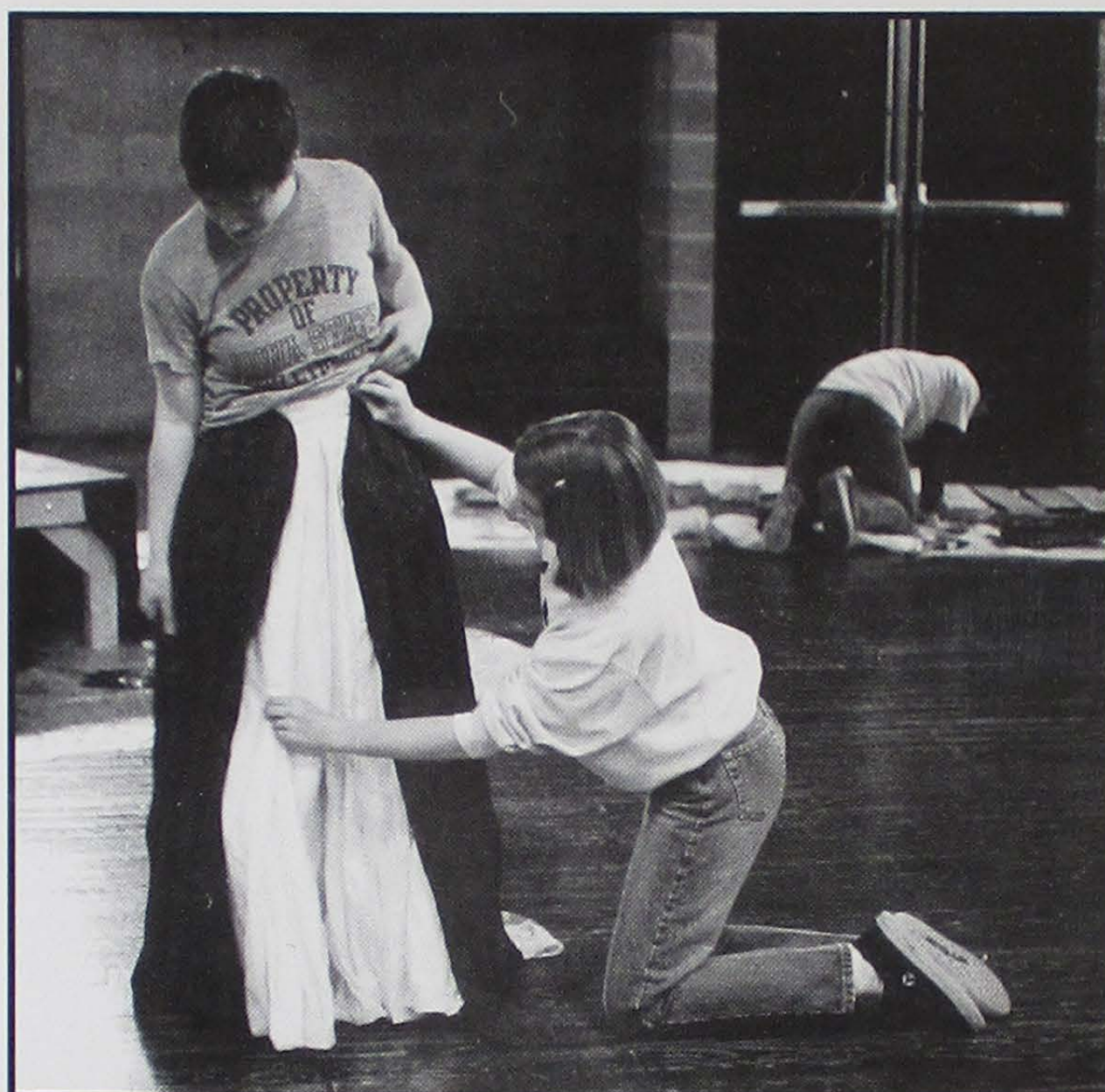
Freshmen **Emily Blaedel**, **Nathan Porter** and **Rachel Taege** break away from the habitual loose-leaf to display their work on the white board. Students in

Algebra were often given the opportunity to develop their math and vocal skills by teaching the class. (photo by Jennifer Alexander)



Waiting for the first film to roll, the film festival was anything but dull. The arriving audience was entertained by Paz, a band composed of juniors **David Melby**, **Pat de Kok**, **Dipayan Mitra**, **Chris**

Norris and senior **Kyle Lofstedt**. The band, made up of a percussionist, two guitarists, a bass and tabla player had played for other school events including the magic show. (photo by Jen Alexander)



With Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night* quickly approaching, everyone involved prepared to make the show a success. Junior **Patricia Smith**, costume coordinator, sizes a skirt for sophomore **Clarissa**

Spicer at crews. Crew members, actors and actresses met every Saturday to create the perfect scenes for the upcoming performance. (photo by Jennifer Alexander)



Artist and Poet **Margaret Burroughs** came to the school to speak for art and English classes fourth period Friday. Burroughs uses her writing and visual art to express the emotions and strength of African American women in society. She started the first African-American art museum in her own living room. Today, the museum has moved to a larger location in Chicago for all to view. The stamp (left) was made for Burroughs in honor of her talent and perseverance. At the presentation, she read poetry, handed out African names and gave poems and stamps to students. Burroughs has paved the way for many other minority artists to come. However, she is an inspiration not only for African-Americans, but for everyone. (stamp courtesy of Margaret Burroughs)

March

SUNDAY

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MONDAY

School Board Meeting
6:30pm
G/BB State
National School Breakfast
Week 6-10
Newspapers in Education
Week 6-10

TUESDAY

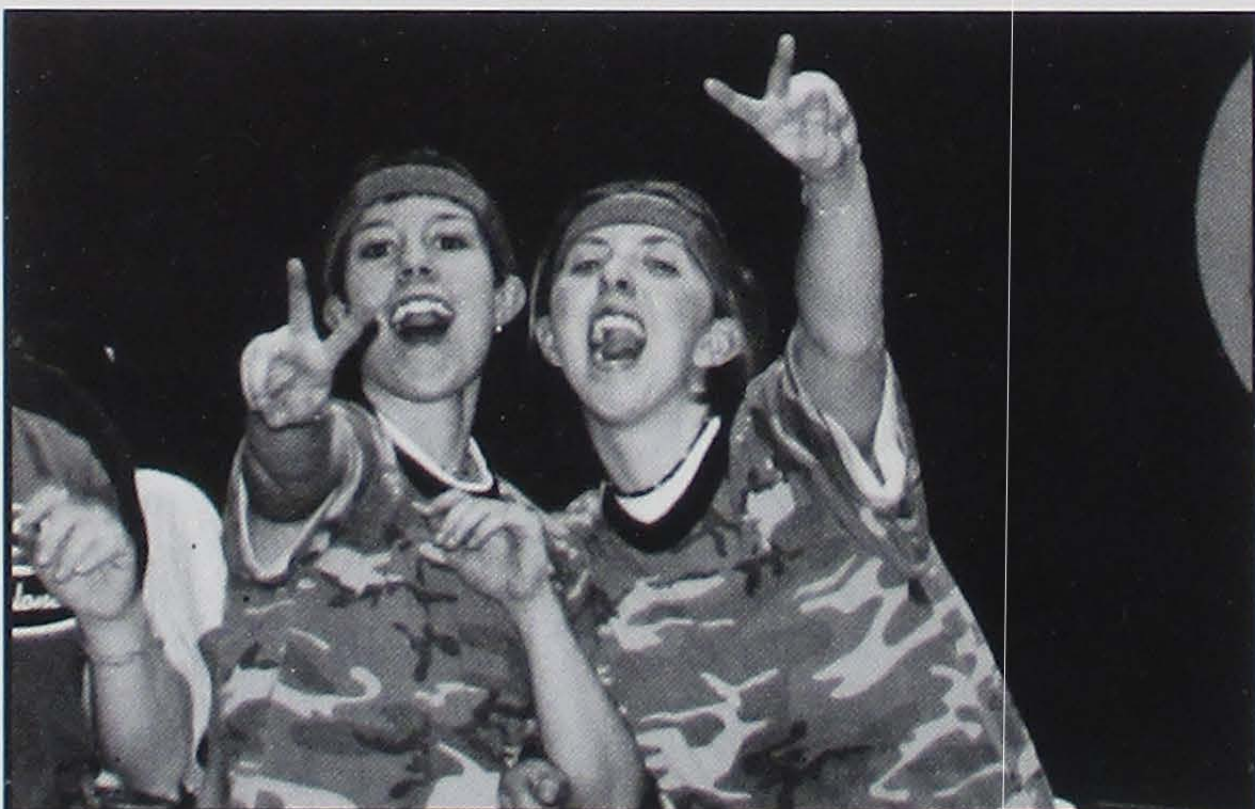
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B/BB Substate
G/BB State



As a team captain, junior **Kylan Loney** knew how to take charge against Cedar Rapids Xavier, an opponent her coach knew would be a challenge. "Xavier was

the best team we faced all season. They played 9 girls, and their depth hurt us," head coach **Bruce Vertanen** said. (photo courtesy of Tim Robson)



Decked out in their camouflage jump suits, junior **Emily Smith** and senior **Jessica Bents** yell at the top of their lungs to show

their support for the girls' team. Many fans dressed up in school colors to show their support. (photo by Melisse Owen)

UNCHARTERED TERRITORY

Girls' Basketball makes it to state

by Lindsay VanFleet

For the first time since 1979, the basketball team made it to the state competition. On Monday, the seventh rated team encountered a great challenge with No. 4 Cedar Rapids Xavier at Vets Auditorium.

"Going to state was one of the best experiences of high school. Mentally, we prepared as a team, knowing we had to work together to win," junior **Lori Bennett** said.

Starting in the first quarter, the girls worked hard to stay even with Cedar Rapids Xavier. The key moment in the game, however, was in the last minutes of the second half according to head coach **Bruce Vertanen**.

"We were down 16-14 with about 3:30 remaining in the 2nd quarter when they went on a 6-0 run. We eventually went into halftime down 11, which was tough to overcome," Vertanen

said.

Sadly, even with the girls' best efforts during the second half, the game was over with a final score of 47-60. It was a hard loss for Ames fans and most of all for the girls on the court.

"It was a great experience playing in front of a large crowd in an awesome gym. It was unfortunate we didn't take advantage of the situation and go farther," junior **Kylan Loney** said.

Most fans, despite the girls' disappointing loss, were excited just to see the girls make it that far.

"I think the girls played their hearts out," sophomore **Andre Goedeken** said.

"They should be proud of this season," senior **Lynse Schmidt** said.

"The 1999-2000 basketball team can be remembered as one of the best teams ever at Ames High," Vertanen added.



The varsity girls' basketball team anxiously awaits the final score of their state game. Although disappointment followed the game, a sense of pride overshadowed the

loss. "The entire tournament was exciting for us all. I had never been on such an awesome team," junior **Tam Jenkinson** said. (photo courtesy of Tim Robson)

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WEDNESDAY

8
G/BB State

THURSDAY

9
G/BB State
Solo/Duet Choral Recital

FRIDAY

10
G/BB State
Girls Youth BB Tournament

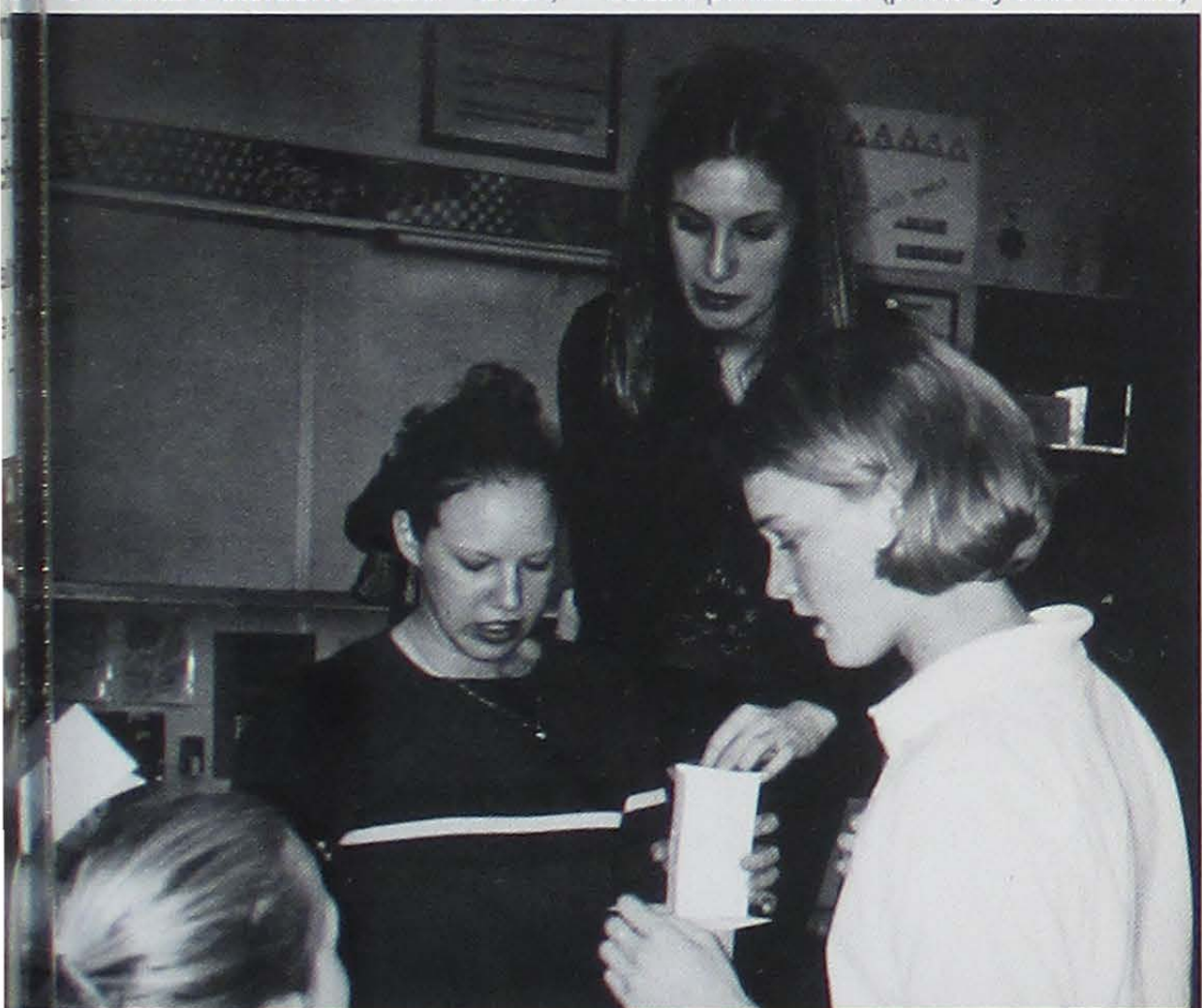
SATURDAY

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G/BB State
Girls Youth BB Tournament



Junior **Ryan Seiler** carefully compares the brightness of two light bulbs during a physics lab in Dr. **Mike Peterson's** class. Often,

students taking science classes would get the opportunity to learn first hand during their double period labs. (photo by Julie Prindle)



Working together, juniors **Carly Mortensen**, **Brehen Theesfield** and **Abby Van** build an index card tower during an Algebra II class. Math teacher **Ellen** had her students work in groups

to see how high they could build a tower using only index cards and tape. Many teachers, like Joensen, created activities to help students develop their teamwork skills for the future. (photo by Amy Chung)



Shooting over reaching hands, senior **Jacek Pruski** hits a jump shot during the substate game against Mason City. The team lost

to the Mohawks in their final game of the season, leaving them with a 10-10 record for the year. (photo by Melisse Owen)



After an airplane ride of over ten hours and a day long walking tour of Madrid, these 16 students on their Spring Break to Spain were more than happy to sit and rest in a city park before heading back to their hotel on the Metro. During the trip, students lived

with their very own Spanish families, speaking the native language and experiencing the Spanish culture. "By the end, we were all attached to our new families. It was hard to leave," senior **Dawn Sutherland** said. (photo courtesy of Jen Oftedal)

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March

SUNDAY

12

Girls Youth BB Tourn

MONDAY

13

Spring Break - NO SCHOOL
G/GF, G/TN 1ST Practice
B/BB State

TUESDAY

14

Spring Break - NO SCHOOL
B/BB State

What do guys do that drive girls insane?

compiled by Rita Carter and Julie Song

"I don't like it that guys think they are stronger than you just because they are guys."

-senior **Tracy Tyler**

"What drives me most crazy about guys is how they always think their opinion is always right."

-senior **Chrisy Hayes**

"What annoys me the most is how boys don't remember the important things you tell them."

-senior **Amy Sargent**

"I hate the way they walk by each other and instead of waving they do this barbaric nod thing, sometimes even grunt."

-junior **Sylvia Fanous**

"I hate the way they are all immature! All the time! Especially the freshmen!"

-freshman **Stacy Strodtman**

SPRING BREAK 2000



On the German trip, seniors Jo Britson, Be Stark, May Anderson, Christine Kracher and junior Star Heideman stroll along the street after visiting chocolate museum. The students were hosted by German families. "My host sister really knew where to take me. We went to disco and parties." Britson said. (photo courtesy of Christine Kracher)



Anticipating the day ahead, French students stand in awe of the famous Eiffel Tower. The week long tour of France included Chartes Cathedral, Tours, and Sainte Malo. (photo courtesy of Jill Hamilton)



While in France, students were paired with French families for the week before touring France as entire class. Her senior **Gina Russell** gives her French sister a big hug, thankful for her experiences. (photo courtesy of Gina Russell)

WEDNESDAY**THURSDAY****FRIDAY****SATURDAY****15**Spring Break - NO SCHOOL
B/BB State**16**Spring Break - NO SCHOOL
B/BB State**17**Spring Break - NO SCHOOL
B/BB State
Boys Youth Tourn
G/TR ISU Indoor**18**B/BB State
Boys Youth BB Tourn
B/TR ISU Indoor
G/TR @ Luther Indoor Invite
State Individual Speech Contest

It's hard for me to see how the Mexicans in Matlan lived off of American tourists. I had a hard time deciding when I wanted to support the beach servers and the other poverty-stricken Mexican that were total dependant on tourists. In the end, I gave in and had a teenage girl do my hair because regardless of my decision, the situation wouldn't change. I was glad I could help out someone my own age," junior **Jul Prindle** said. (photo by Ann Beron)



What do girls do that drive guys insane?

compiled by Esther Kindred and Abby Lundstrom

"I hate how no matter how wrong they are, girls always win the arguments."
- senior **Steve Bauer**

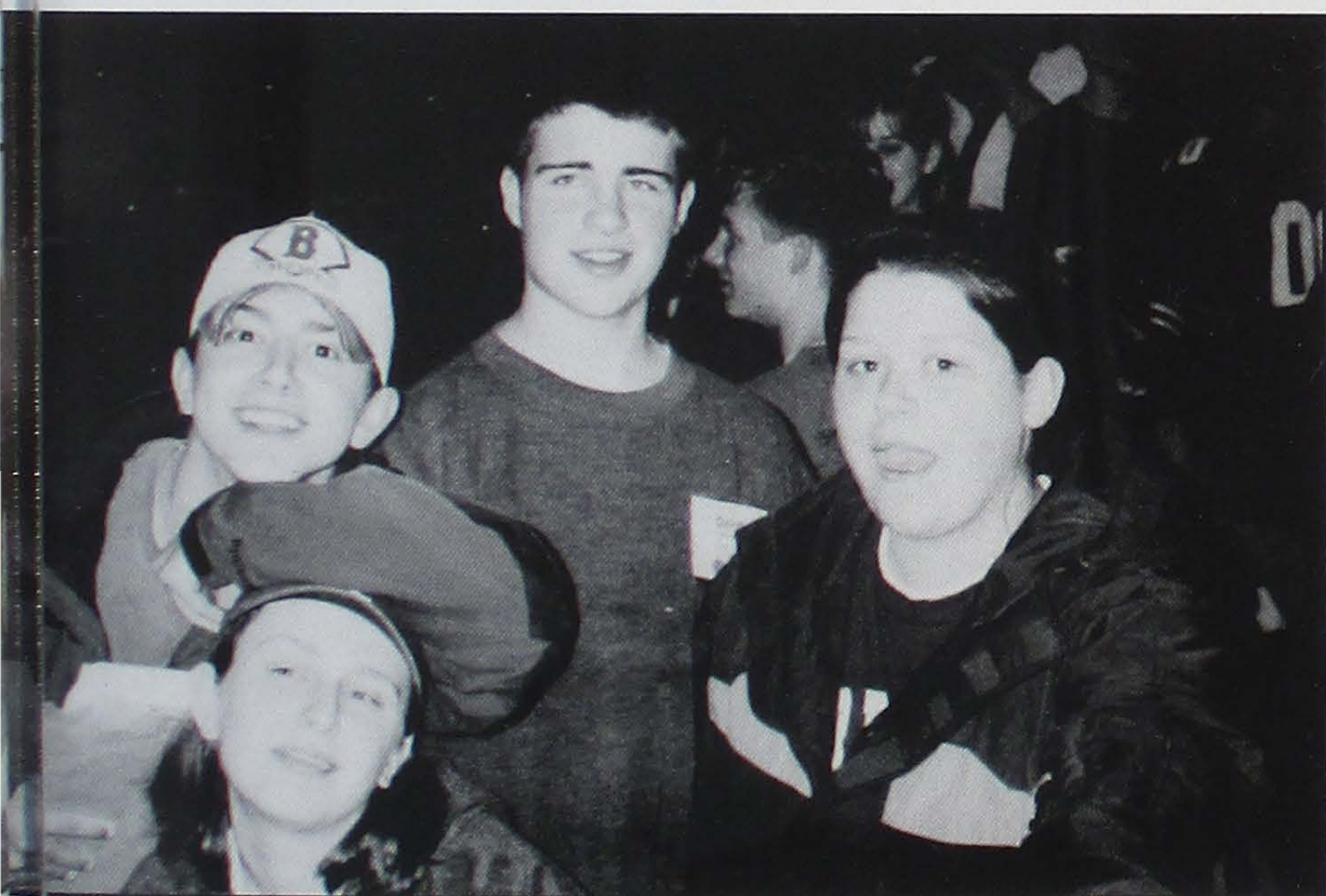
"I've learned that answering this question is never beneficial to one's self."
- junior **Rolf Place**

"I hate how girls always think that they know what's best in a relationship."
- junior **William Payeur**

"I hate how girls think we know exactly what they are yakking about, and then, when we don't understand and ask questions, they get mad at us."
- junior **Nick Meyers**

"I hate it when girls fail to see what a nice, warmhearted and loving individual I am."
- sophomore **Chase Winkey**

"The fact that they always think you're flirting with other girls."
- sophomore **Brandon Toresdahl**

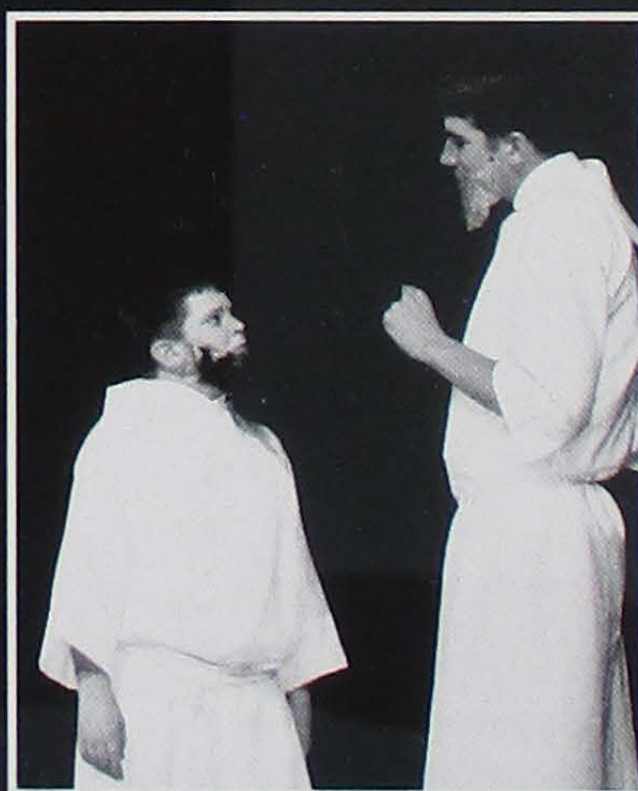
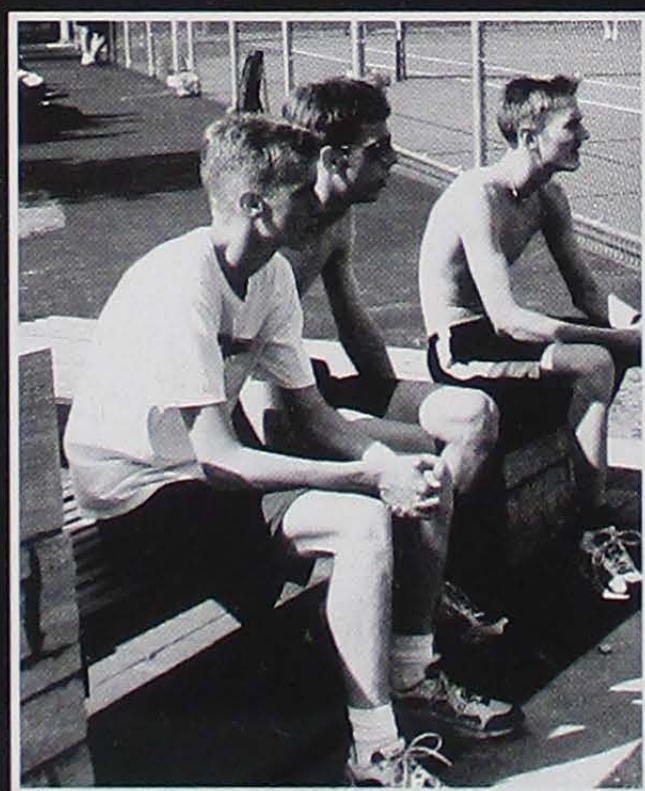


senior **Giles Slocum** and freshmen **Shay Spencer**, **John Randall** and **David Moore** enjoy their Spring Break on a First United Methodist church retreat at Simpson College. The retreat included performances by a live band and the church's puppet

team, Up With Puppets, who also taught the crowd various sing-a-longs. Although it was snowing outside, the retreat members kept warm inside by dancing with different church groups from all over the state of Iowa. (photo by Melissa Owen)

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S p r i n g



No Time to Waste

In with a roar the lion comes
And with tyrannous claws tears the winter away
Out of the rubble a new season blossoms,
Showing us all that spring's on its way.

Fresh blades of grass break through the hard
ground,
As thoughts of warm weather drift to the mind.
A kaleidoscope of colors can be seen all around,
Leaving all thoughts of snow and cold far behind.

Burrowing mammals emerge from their dens,
And flocks of birds start their journey back home.
As the great search for food and shelter begins,
The minds at Ames High School begin to roam.

Teachers can tell that their reign is ending.
When daydreaming pupils gaze out at the sun.
The sunny new world has every heart singing,
And as the lamb leaves we know summer has come.

-sophomore Sarah Benson

March

SUNDAY

HS Boys Youth Basketball
Tournament
National Poison Prevention
Week
National Agriculture Week

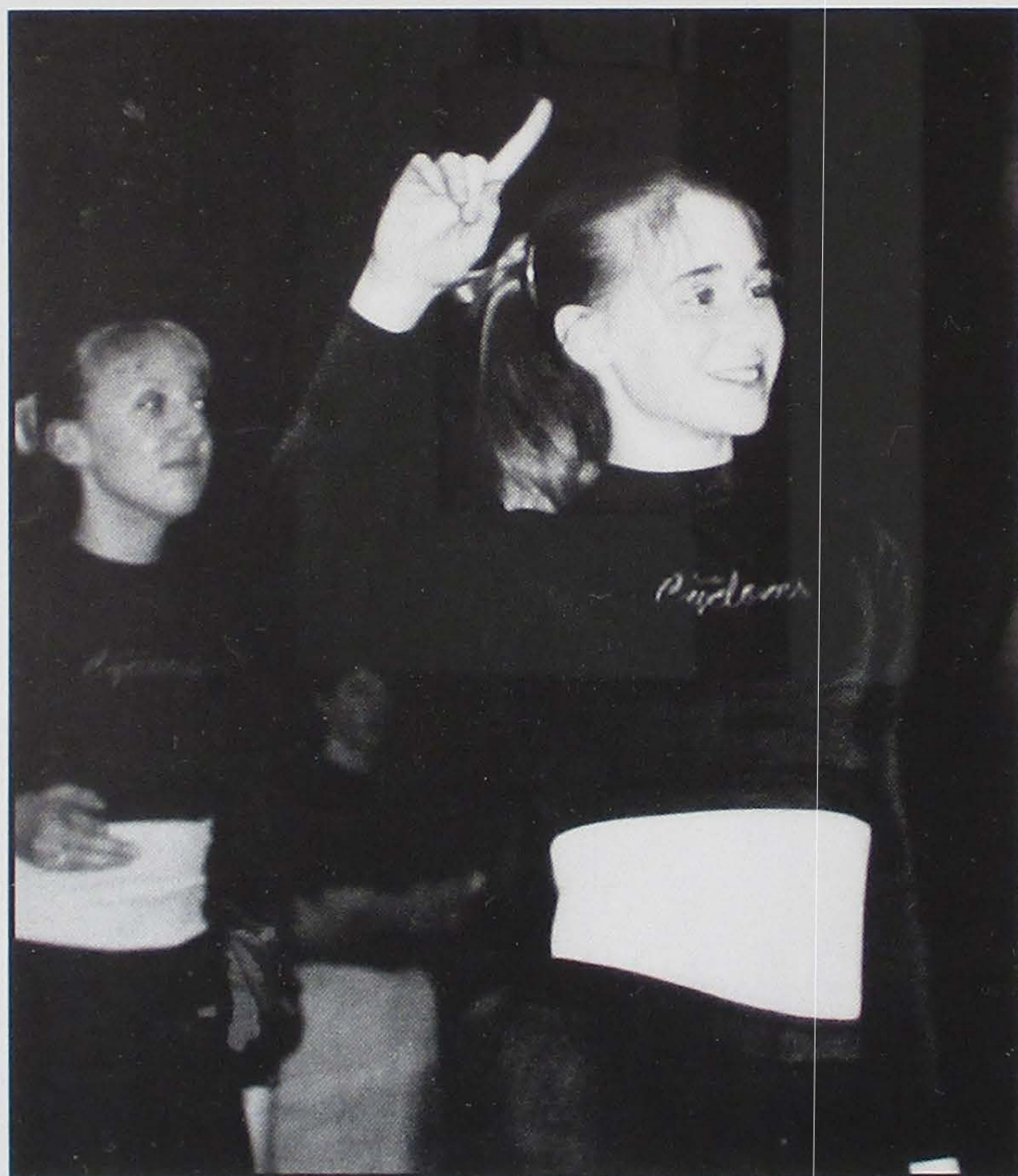
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B/SC, B/TN 1st Practice

TUESDAY

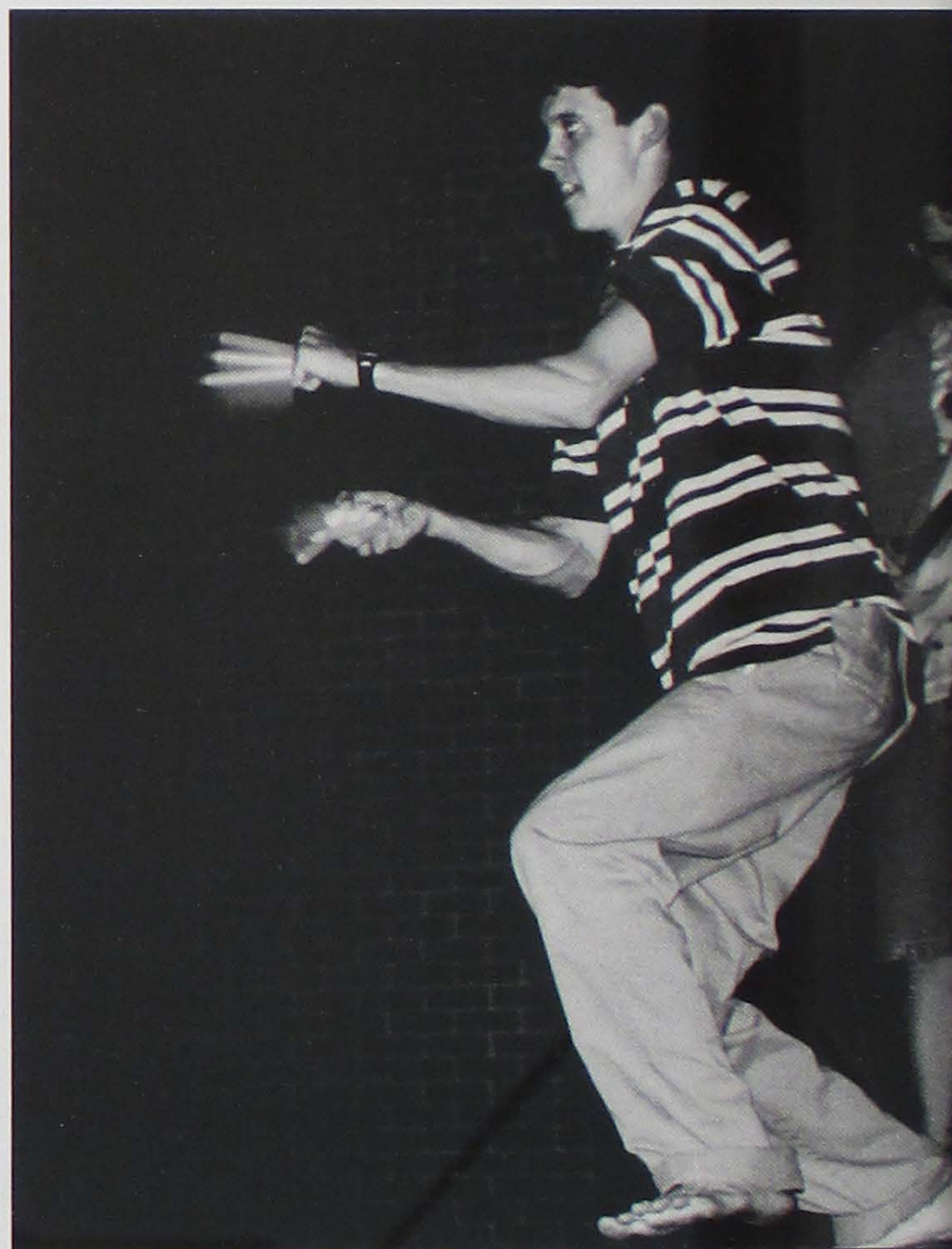
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PAC Meeting

WELFARE WEEK: FISHING FOR CHANGE



Freshman **Kelly Baker** dances with the co-ed drill team during the half-time of the I-Ball All-Star game. A new treat this year was the addition of the co-ed drill team. Each team, co-ed and all-girl, performed once for the All-

Star game. This was an extra chance for the members to strut their stuff in front of the student body. The all-girl drill team typically performed during half-time of the varsity basketball games. (photo by M. Owen)



Junior **Andy Cross**, a member of the *Barefoot Band*, amazes the crowd with his glow sticks during the Variety Show.

While performing, the auditorium lights were turned off to increase the glow-stick effect. (photo by Lauren Ledet)

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

22
G/TR @ Dickinson Relays (UNI)

23
Junior Parents Night

24
B/TR @ Dickinson Relays (UNI)

25
G/TR @ Jenner Invite (Lamoni)



...orrowing a song from Christina Aguilera, freshman **Lavonne McRoberts** displays her singing talents at the Variety Show.

She was one of the many gifted singing acts who performed that evening. (photo by Rita Carter)



Senior **Lindsay Burhenn** strikes a pose during the Variety Show. Burhenn was one of five contestants in the Miss

Hearthrob competition. Each contestant showed their distinct personalities during the competition. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Showing his Michael Jordan-like skills, sophomore **Jon Warren** dunks the basketball during the slam dunk contest at

the All-Star game. Despite Warren's attempt, senior **Chris Davis** won the contest. (photo by Melisse Owen)

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Hearthrob contestants seniors **Oun Platt** and **Adam Webb** motion for the crowd to applaud after modeling their evening

wear. The crowd determined the winners of each competition by the volume of their cheers. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Members of the Regatta team **100% Natural Bouys** sink as they attempt to start their second lap across the pool. The team in-

cluded senior **Jamile Carter** and juniors **Rita Carter**, **Carly Mortensen** and **Anna Dupl** (photo courtesy of Rita Carter)



The six senior couples competing for Mr. and Mrs. Hearthrob at the Variety Show pose and show off their ensembles during the evening wear competition. The contestants had to prove

themselves in categories such as; best artistic interpretation of their partner, partner make-over and the evening wear contest. (photo by Rita Carter)

BENEVOLENT WELL-BEING

Variety Show brings spice to Welfare Week

by Julie Prindle

The purpose of Welfare Week was to give students the opportunity to donate money to a local charity. This not only benefited those helped by the charity, but also the students who participated.

Throughout the week, students had many chances to donate money to Habitat for Humanity. Some of these chances included the All-Star I-ball game, the Variety Show and the Regatta. These activities allowed students not only to enjoy the rewards of donating money to those in need, but also to be entertained and have a good time. Many students welcomed the week because it distracted them from the reality of returning back to another ten weeks of school after spring break.

The largest fundraiser of the week was the Variety Show which raised over \$500 for the charity. Any student with a talent could participate in the show as long as he/she was approved. Most of the acts were vocal or instrumental per-

formances.

"I thought the entire Variety Show was cool. I especially liked seeing and hearing all the bands," sophomore **Erica Petersen** said.

To add extra variation to the show, a Mr. and Mrs. Hearthrob contest was held. The contestants included seniors **Leslie Hall**, **Matt Helland**, **Nicole Olson**, **Jon Hoyt**, **Oun Platt**, **Adam Webb**, **Lindsay VanFleet**, **Bogdan Kostic**, **Lindsay Burhenn** and **Ben Vilmain**.

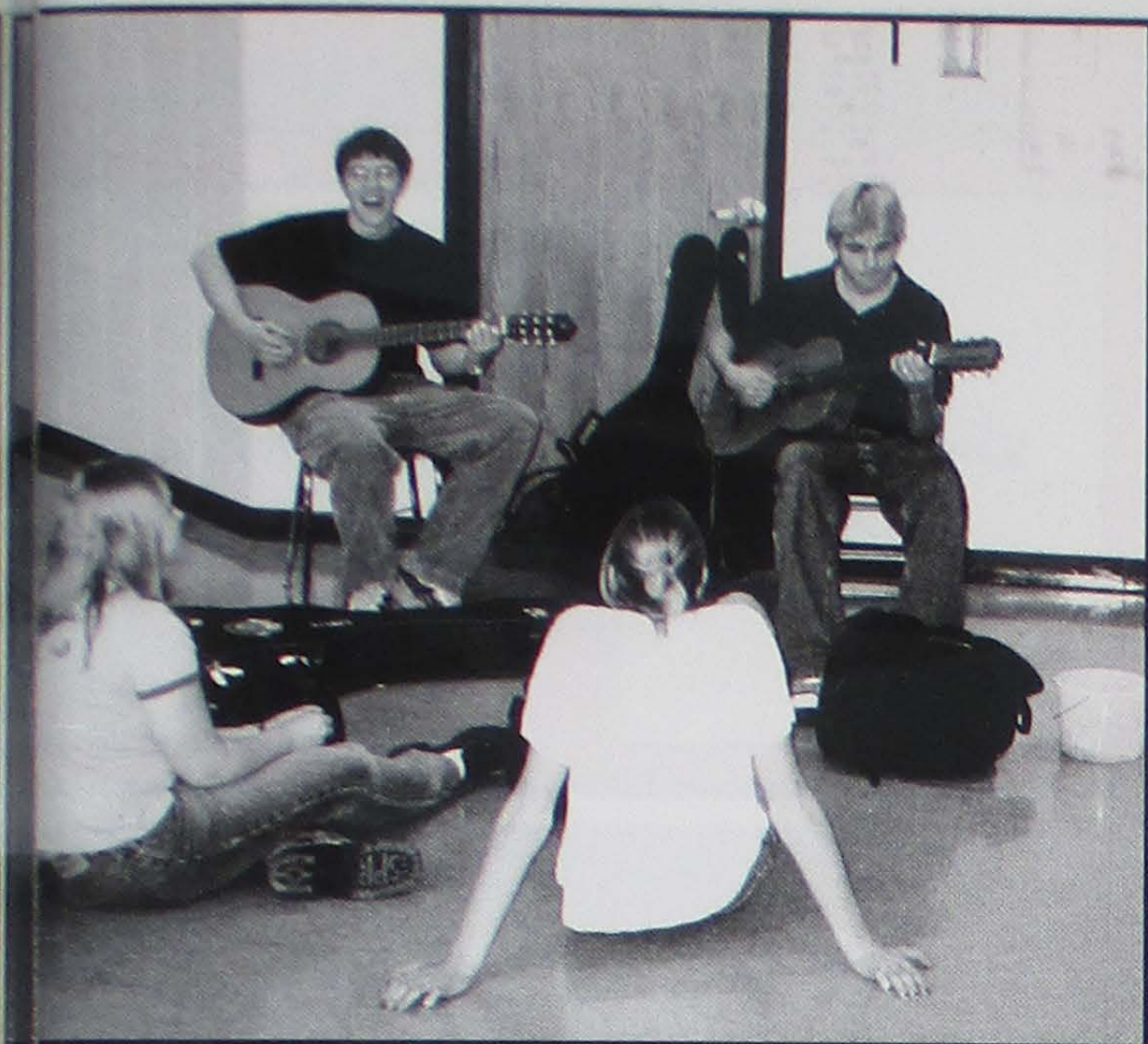
Between the various performing groups, the contestants entered the stage in outrageous ensembles to perform various tasks for the crowd. The winners of the Mr. and Mrs. Hearthrob contest were Helland and Hall, who won both for their crazy outfits and their hilarious personalities.

"Seeing Leslie and Matt win was definitely the highlight of the show," junior **Aaron Rosheim** said.



Winners of the Mr. and Mrs. Hearthrob contest, seniors **Matt Helland** and **Leslie Hall**, receive cheers from the crowd as they fashion their evening wear. By the end of the evening,

Helland and Hall had won the majority of the contests with their humor. As a result, the couple emerged victorious over the other four pairs of seniors. (photo by Rita Carter)



Juniors **David Melby** and **Fabian De Kok** "jam" after school in the back lobby to raise money. Their spur-of-the-moment concert was attended by their junior friends **Carly Swanson** and **Diane Volko**. Melby and De Kok were members of *Lampshade*, a student band. (photo by Rita Carter)



Sophomore **Nevin Sebastian** runs across the basketball court during the I-Ball All-Stars game. Sebastian was the mascot of the I-Ball All-Stars. "It was nerve-racking at first but once I got started it was okay," Sebastian said. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Members of the girls track team watch a race at the indoor track meet in Pella. The girls were forced to either stand on the edge or sit inside the track. (photo by Melisse Owen)



Junior **Megan Maher** watches a race while sitting at the track meet in Pella. Maher packed her bag while watching the last race to prepare for the trip home. The Pella meet acted as a time trial for the girls due to the lack of competition. The Pella meet was the second track meet of the year. (photo by Rita Carter)



Junior **Dan Mikesh** and other members of the band *Special When Lit* perform during the student council-sponsored Variety Show. *Special When Lit*'s performance was one of many during the show. (photo by Rita Carter)

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SUNDAY

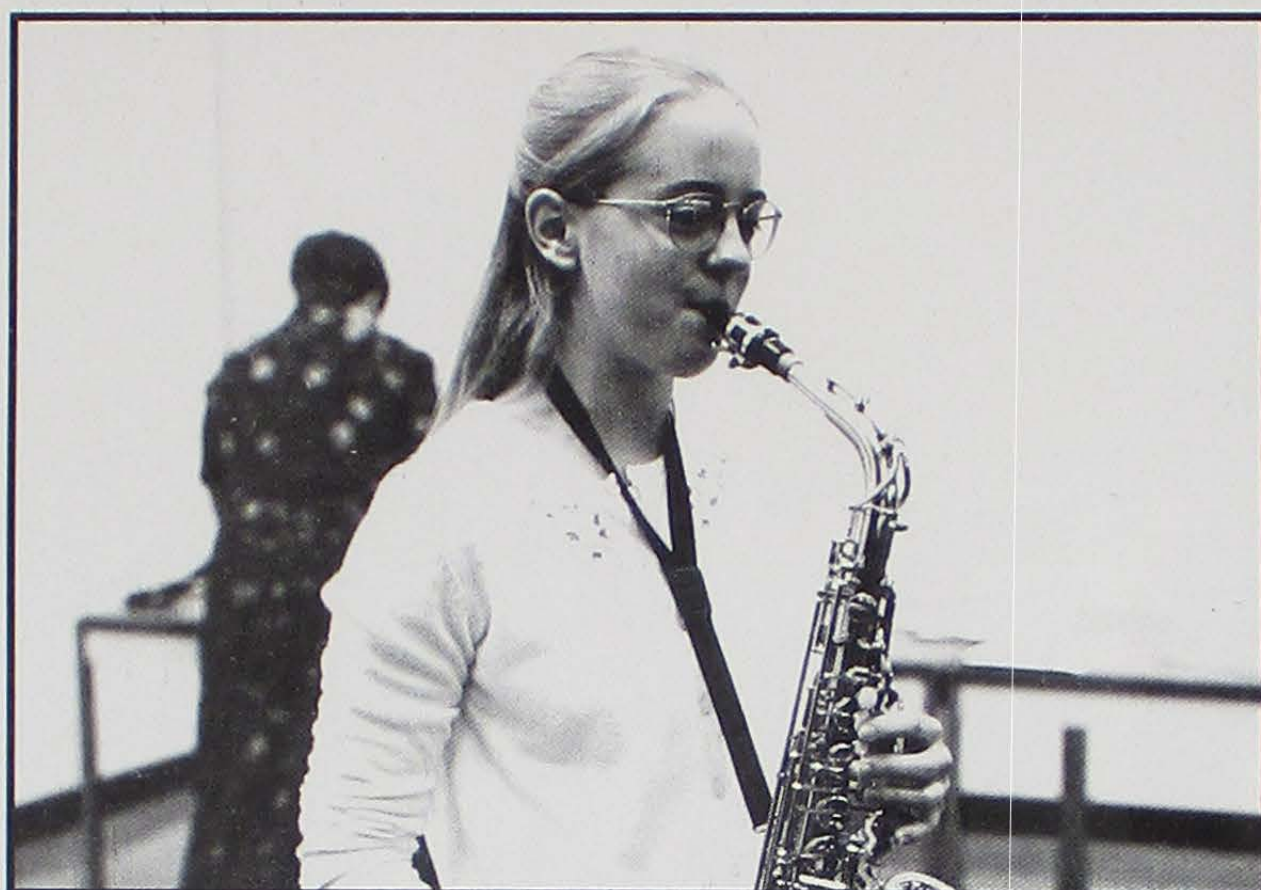
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MONDAY

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Spring Sports Kick Off

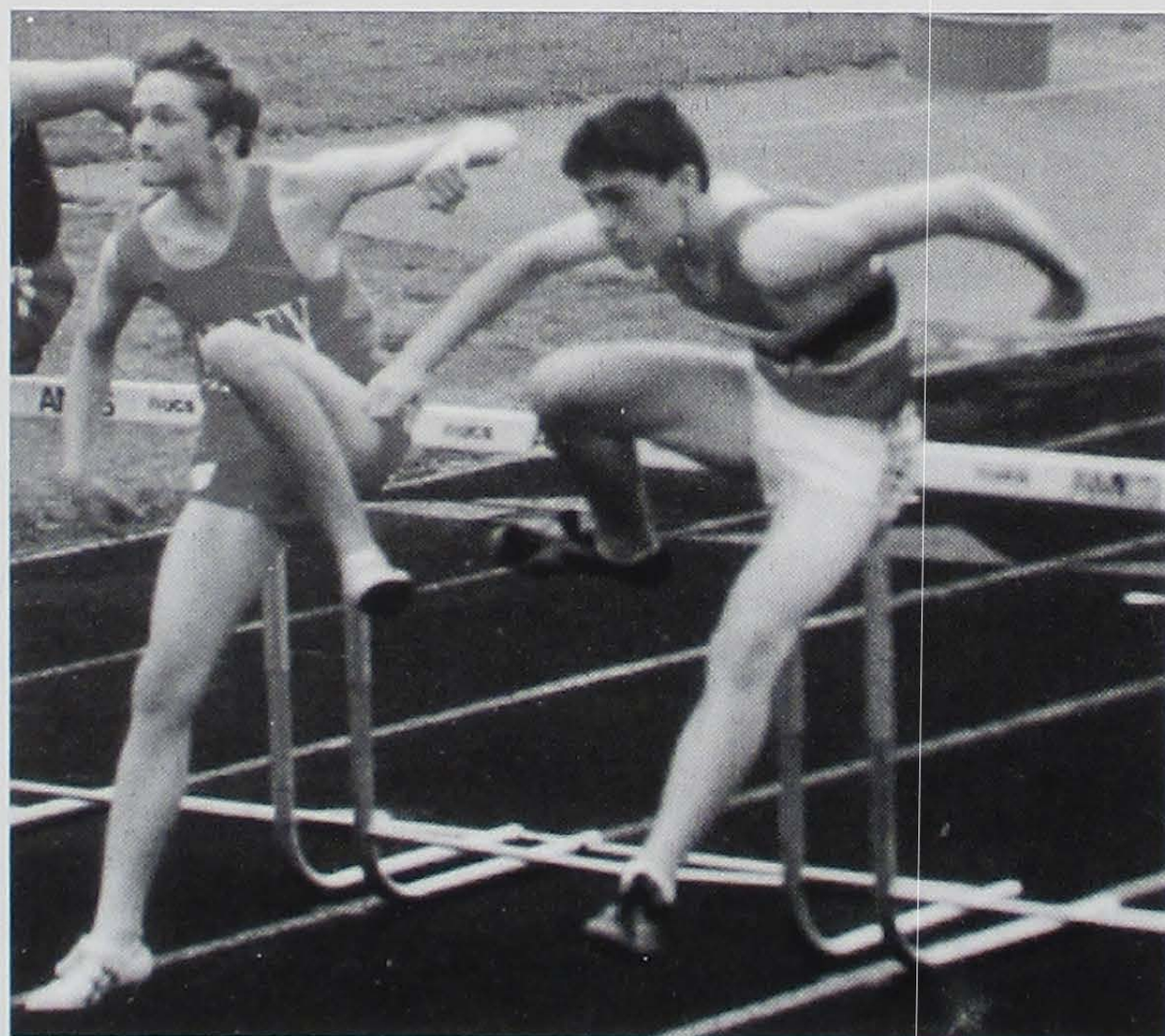
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B/TR Ankeny



Freshman **Crystal Pilcher** tones the pitch on her saxophone before her performance at the Solo and Small Ensemble contest. A lot of hard work and

discipline on the part of many band, orchestra and choir members went into performing before the judges at the contest. (photo by Jennifer Alexander)



After tackling his first hurdle in the 110 meter high hurdles, sophomore **Kyle Rippey** takes a great leap to keep up with the pack and gets ready to face the next

hurdle. Many of the hurdlers had to run this race early in the day as well as the 400 meter low hurdles later in the meet. (photo by Jennifer Alexander)

What was the best April Fool's Day joke ever played on you or somebody else?

compiled by Beth Peterson

"When I was six years old, my dad told me Hulk Hogan had died. Three days later, when I was still balling in my bed, he finally told me the truth."

-senior **Richie Harman**

"Last year two other guys and I dressed in capes and boxers and ran shirtless through Mrs. Horner's room and terrorized her for a bit. It was a good time and we scared her witless."

-senior **Jon Mowers**

"Once my mother told me there was a fire in the house, so I called 911 and ran out of the house."

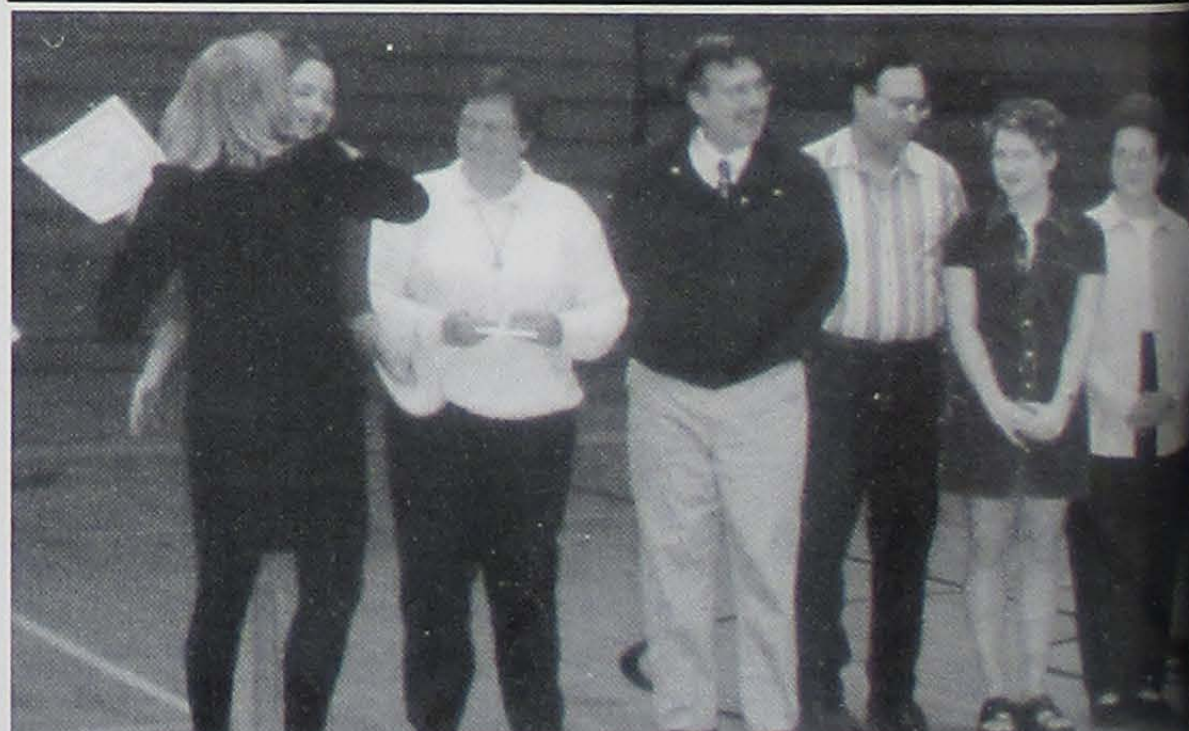
-junior **Ben Swenson**

"Itching powder and icy hot on the toilet seat...enough said."

-junior **Josh Staudt**

"I woke up my older sister at 2:00 a.m. and told her she was late for school. She woke up in a panic."

-freshman **Ursula Dial**



For the first time, the members of the drill team were given athletic recognition during the spring kick off. The group had been an active part of the school for several

years, and its members were excited to finally get the long-overdue acknowledgement. (photo by Beth Peterson)

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

29
Welcome to Wednesday

30
G/TR @ SE Polk
Spring Play

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ACT Testing
Spring Play
Solo/Small Ensemble Contest

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Spring Play

Twelfth Night Cast

Orino
Sebastian
Antonio
Sea Captain
Valentine
Curio
Sir Toby Belch
Sir Andrew Aguecheek
Malvolio
Fabian
Feste
Olivia
Viola
Maria
Priest
First Officer
Second Officer
Servant

Jon Russell
Nate Staniforth
Jim VanFleet
Kara Johnson
Veronica Saide
Elisabeth Gillott
Andy Struck-Marcell
Elizabeth Talbert
Nathaniel Pleasants
Brynna Dieter
David Melby
Brittany Prater
Patricia Smith
Katie Adam
Devon McClurken
Kara Johnson
Nate Logsdon
Mona Dalal

Sailors Molly Schram, Clarissa Spicer, Alex Saide, Chelsea Fitch

Ladies of Oliva's Court April Berg, Elizabeth Cavanaugh, Alexandra S. Rundle, Mona Dalal, Leslie Koppenhaver, Molly Schram, Clarissa Spicer, Kate Vann-Lorenz

Lords of Orsino's Court Alex Saide, Chelsea Fitch, Jennifer Alexander, Madeleine Russell, L. Ling, Katie Naeve



After their ship was storm-tossed at sea and was washed up on a foreign island, Viola, played by junior **Patricia Smith**, questions the captain (junior **Kara Johnson**) about where they could be.

Standing close by the sailors, junior **Chelsea Fitch** and sophomores **Molly Schram** and **Clarissa Spicer**, help hold up a "crippled" sailor (freshman **Alex Saide**.) (photo by Beth Peterson)



freshman **Katie Vann-Lorenz** gets her hair done before her debut in the spring play. Vann-Lorenz was a Lady in the Shakespearean comedy. "Being a part of the

makeup crew was a really good experience. It was a lot different than putting on normal makeup," junior **Abby Lundstrom** said. (photo by Jennifer Alexander)



Senior **Nathaniel Pleasants** and juniors **David Melby** and **Brittany Prater** act in a scene in which Melby tries to persuade Prater to welcome another guest into her

home. Prater is appalled at the suggestion while Pleasants, who is in love with Prater's character, gives signs of agreement. (photo by Beth Peterson)

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April

SUNDAY

International Children's
Book Day
Daylight Saving Time
Begins

MONDAY

All-State Individual Speech
Festival
CIML Choral Festival
G/TR Ames Invite
B/SC Dowling

TUESDAY

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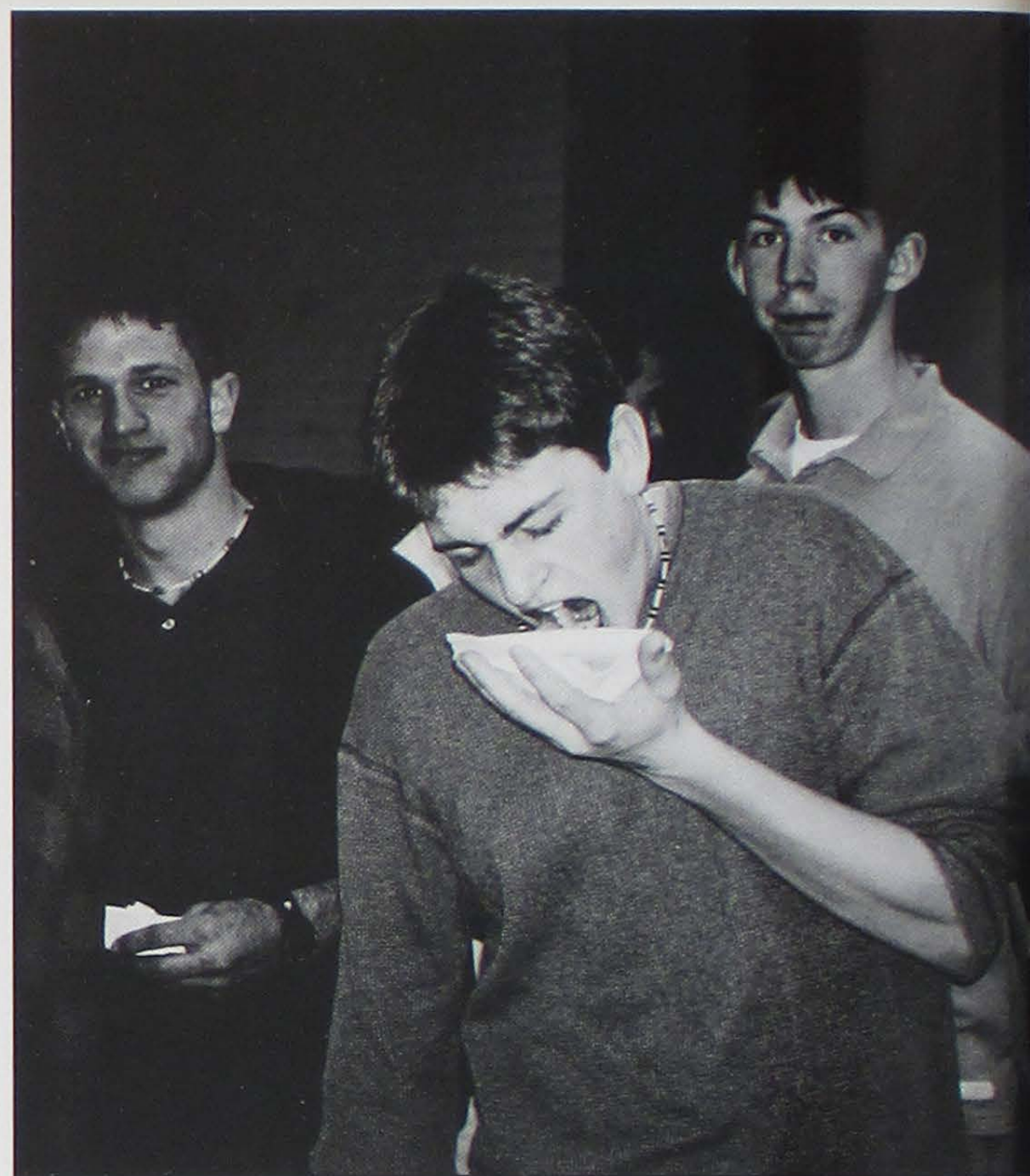


Partnered up for an introduction to Scottish dancing, math teacher **Teresa Testroet** and senior **Jeff Ohman** join hands. The participation of students and staff contributed greatly to Unity Day. "I thought the seminars where we actually got to interact with others was a better learning experience," junior **Jessica Kinyon** said. (photo by M. Owen)



Holocaust survivors warmly received junior **Mike Heitzman** and sophomore **Christina Johnson** preceding their presentation. The couple traveled

from Oklahoma to share their story. Students found their seminar extremely inspirational. (photo by Melisse Owen)



Juniors **Greg Payne**, **Mitchell Ridnour** and **Michael Miller** take advantage of the free food samples provided at the Unity Day food fair. "The food was really

great; I ate so much that they kicked me out," Ridnour said. The food was donated by Ames restaurants and from students' parents. (photo by Amy Chun)

Unity Day provokes contemplation: What did you think?

"From the stories of Holocaust survivors at Unity Day, I learned not to take things for granted."

-freshman **Rachel Elliott**

"Mr. Phomvisay talked about Laos and the stereotypes we have of the country. We learned it was important to know about the things that are going on in the rest of the world."

-sophomore **Mat Lueth**

"From the survivors of Dachau to the flight from Laos, the wide range of topics amazed me. I really enjoyed and learned from the incredible stories I heard."

-junior **Laura Carlyle**

"I chose to go to a session on the Bahia religion because I didn't know anything about it. After the session, I knew that if someone asked me about the religion I would no longer be ignorant."

-senior **Wendy Charlson**

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

5

6

G/TR @ Cedar Rapids
Invite
SAT Testing

8

UNITY THROUGH DIVERSITY

A celebration of culture

by Amy Chung

Living up to its name, Unity Day joined students, staff and community together by educating about diversity. The day was comprised of seminars that covered a wide range of issues, from an explicit lecture concerning AIDS to the heartbreaking tales of Holocaust survivors. Unity Day was a day set aside to introduce many cultures that exist in Ames. Many of the seminars were educational and enjoyable.

Despite the many activities, it was a sure bet that the food fair, held in the gymnasium, was a favorite. Many cultural restaurants contributed by donating food samples, which students and staff tasted throughout the lunch hour.

Unity Day was an opportunity for students to explore the diversity of

the Ames community right in their own school," teacher **Reggie Greenlaw** said, who, along with the Human Relations Committee, helped to organize the event.

The support of many speakers throughout the community made the day a huge success. "The speakers were to incorporate the topic of respect into their seminars," Greenlaw added.

"I was really skeptical of the whole thing, but I'm really glad I went. I was exposed to some really interesting topics and the free food samples were awesome," junior **Mark Bokhoven** said.

Although Unity Day only comes once every few years, the lessons learned will be with the students for years to come.



During one of the weekly intramural ping-pong matches, junior **Kejing Wang** returns a ball. Many students and a few teachers came out to test their skills at

table tennis. At intramural ping-pong, both novice and experts found competition and met many new people. (photo by Amy Chung)



Freshman **Megan Greving**, senior **Eliza Beavers**, junior **Karina Jensen** and sophomore **Sarah Beisser** enjoy plates of pasta at their first tennis team

dinner of the year. It was a tradition to have a team dinners before meets where members could eat and relax. (photo by Amy Chung)



Freshman **Dustin Elrod** picks up a sample of chips and salsa at the Unity Day food fair. With such a wide array of different

cultural foods to sample, students moved quickly in order to try a little bit of everything. (photo by Amy Chung)

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April

SUNDAY

National Volunteer Week

9

MONDAY

School Board Mtg
B/SC @ East
(9/10) B/TR Valley

10

TUESDAY

PAC Mtg
B/TN Marshalltown
B/TR @ Ray Byrnes Invite
(Valley)
G/GF @ Marshalltown
G/TN @ Marshalltown
G/TR Little Cyclone Invite



Juniors **Stephanie Carroll**, **Amanda Burke**, **Emily Nau**, **Alison Buck** and **Amy Swanson** celebrate the girls' golf team victory over ten

other teams at the Valley Classic. Buck was runner-up for medalist score. (photo courtesy of Alison Buck)



Senior **Jessica Sheldon** twirls her baton during the VEISHEA parade. Sheldon and the other twirlers led the band during the parade with their dancing and twirling

skills. Together, the twirlers added an artistic element which greatly enhanced the presence of the band. (photo by Caitlin Clark)

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Spending VEISHEA weekend with friends, sophomore **Kelly Packer** anticipates her

flight before rope-swinging over College Creek. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



Members of the drumline march in the VEISHEA parade. Despite the cold weather, a crowd of 75,000 gathered to

watch the festivities. The participation of the marching band was an annual parade highlight. (photo by Caitlin Clark)

WEDNESDAY

CIML Conf Art Show

12

THURSDAY

B/SC @ Marshalltown
B/TN @ Valley
G/GF Valley
G/TN Valley

13

FRIDAY

G/GF @ Valley Classic
G/TR @ Ft Dodge Invite
G/TR @ Indianola Invite

14

SATURDAY

B/TN @ Bobcat Doubles
B/TR Hi Covey Relays

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Which green character do you resemble the most?

compiled by Ann Benson, Julie Song and Julie Prindle

"I most resemble the Jolly Green Giant
because I AM Matt Hinders."
-senior **Matt Hinders**

"I'd be a Teenage Mutant Ninja Turtle
because I don't like garbage in my sewers."
-sophomore **Toby Peters**

"Donatello from the Teenage Mutant
Ninja Turtles because I got the brains
and the brawn."
-sophomore **Jon Russell**



Amid the glittering lights of Taste of VEISHEA, senior **Annalies Van der Valk** and juniors **Laura Wilson**, **Jessica Kinyon**,

Amy Chung and **Pam Le** get ready to taste a funnel cake, one of VEISHEA's many traditions. (photo courtesy of Amy Chung)



Freshman **Rachel Haydon** helps out in the front office by distributing fliers into

homeroom teachers' mailboxes. (photo by Rita Carter)



"I saw others' artwork and critiqued their pieces. Judges then gave out awards for the best ones," junior **Rita Carter** said of

the CIML Art Show at C.Y. Stephens auditorium. Eleven students were selected to attend. (photo courtesy of Rita Carter)

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April

SUNDAY

Band Tour
National PTA Earth Week
National Student Leadership Week
Public School Volunteer Week

MONDAY

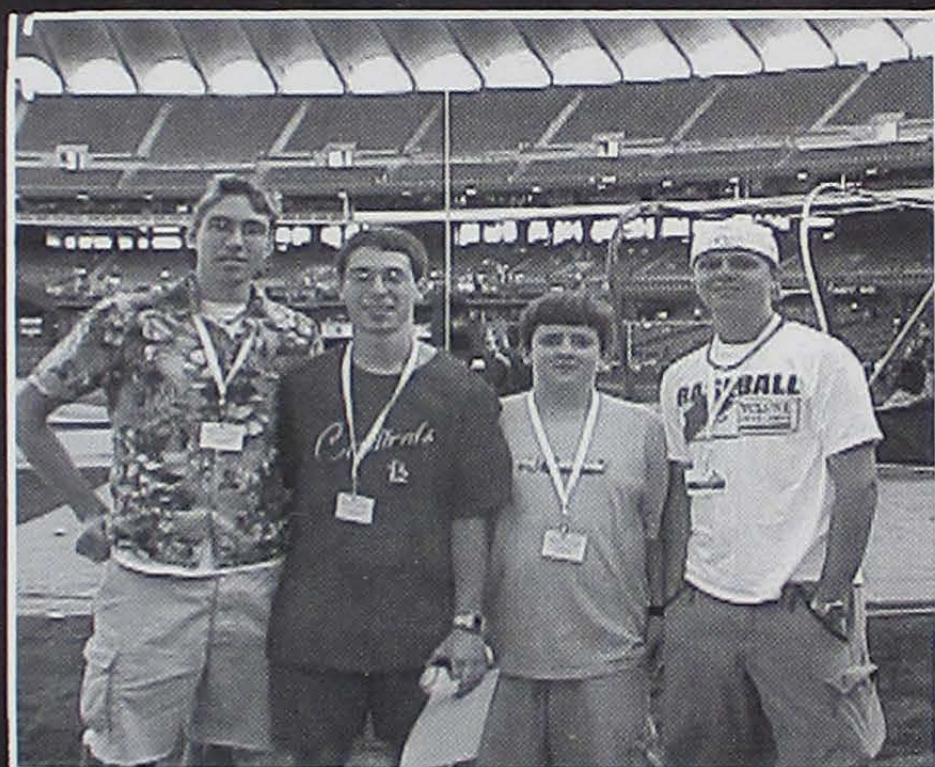
B/Sc Valley
B/TN Dowling
(9/10) B/TR Ames Invite
Band Tour

TUESDAY

G/TR Ames Invite I
Band Tour
Anniversary of Paul Revere's Ride in 1775

St. Louis Band Tour

Sophomores **A Platt** and **Gretchen Matson** smile from under the St. Louis arch. The students on band tour not only gained more musical experience but were also able to experience the tradition and atmosphere of St. Louis. (photo courtesy of Ankita Amin)



Due to their extensive knowledge of the St. Louis Cardinals, seniors **Aaron McElherne** and **Mark Larwick** and sophomores **Jon Dobbs** and **Chris Lueth** were allowed down on the field during batting practice. The four got to meet the Cardinals' catcher **Eli Marrero**. (photo courtesy of Band)

During the band trip, students were able to experience terror. Senior **Peter Chidister**, sophomores **Derek Martin**, **Jon Saxton**, **Gene Garcia** and **Jessica Pfeiffer** show their fear after a ride on the Mamba at Worlds of Fun amusement park. (photo courtesy of B a n d)



A poetry reading wouldn't be complete without musical accompaniment, food, and dancing. At Scratch Pad's annual poetry ball, junior **Evan Rothmeyer** and senior **Mimi Ho** took advantage of the night. Traditionally held at The Octagon Center for Arts in downtown Ames, Calliope was served as a fund raiser for the school's annually published literary magazine, Scratch Pad. (photo by Beth Peterson)



Senior **Jonathan Hoyt** dribbles the ball with care to protect it from his Valley High School opponent. Despite Hoyt's skill,

the Little Cyclones made the decision let the Tigers win the game. (photo Samantha Dorr)

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

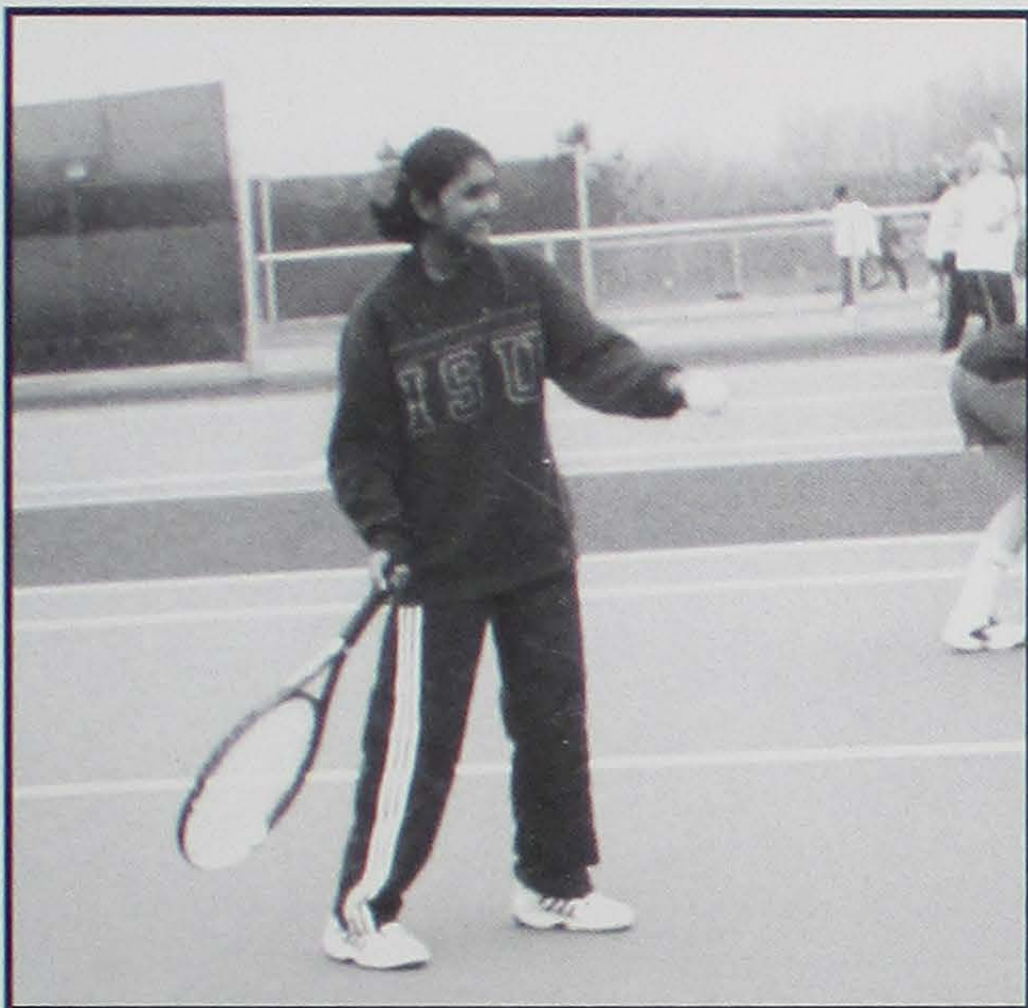
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Band Tour
Passover begins at sunset

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B/TN Ft. Dodge
B/TR @ Bobcat Invite
(Marshalltown)
G/TN @ Ft. Dodge
Passover

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G/GF @ North Invite
Good Friday
Passover

22
B/SC @ Urbandale Tourn

During an after-
noon tennis
practice, sopho-
mores **Shilpa**
Eddy perfects
her backhand.
Tennis practice
is always
great because
we did different
things everyday.
It was nice for us
to get to interact
with our team-
mates. Although
tennis may not
seem like a team
sport, it was im-
portant that we
were supported
each other on
and off the court,"
Eddy said.
(photo by Susie
Edman)



"Red!" Exhausted, sophomore **Jon Myers** shouts to freshman **Josh Inyang** as he prepares to hand off the baton. The relay teams used code words such as "red" or "Ames" to let their teammates know that the hand-off was coming. The runners had to be careful not to drop the baton, which could cause them to lose time or be disqualified. Fortunately, this team finished successfully. (photo by J. Alexander)



Calliope, sophomore **Katie**
Am and freshmen **Elizabeth**
Amerman and **Blakely Rule**
take time to converse between
poetry readings. (photo by
Beth Peterson)



"Runners, take your marks... get set... go!" At the sound
of the gun, sophomore **Emily Gleeson** bursts out to
sprint the hundred meter dash. (photo by Lauren
Ledet)



Senior **Peter Chidister** uses his height to his advan-
tage, helping senior **Lauren Ledet** hang her work at the
Senior Art Show. (photo courtesy of Lauren Ledet)

April

SUNDAY

Easter
Professional Secretaries
Week
Reading Is Fun Week

MONDAY

B/SC @ Indianola
G/GF Ames Invite
(JV) B/TN @ Boone
(9/10) B/TR @ Urbandale
Invite
G/SC 1st Practice
National TV Turnoff Week

TUESDAY

B/TN @ Mason City
G/GF Mason City
G/TN Mason City
Passover begins at sunset



Junior **Sarah Miller** purchases a pair of Prom tickets from Junior Senate member **Sylvia Fanous**. Approximately 700

tickets were sold at \$25 a couple. Students received not only their tickets, but also a picture frame. (photo by L. Ledet)



Academic achievement and recognition has always been an important priority for students and staff at the school. These stu-

dents, all receiving a 3.9 or higher grade point average, were rewarded at the Honors Banquet. (photo by Amy Chung)



Focus on the Drake Relays

Left: During the 4x400 at the Drake Relays, junior **Carly Mortensen** runs the third leg before handing the baton off to teammate junior **Kylan Loney**. The girls finished the race with an outstanding third place.

Right: Gaining in speed and maintaining his strong stride, senior **Tim Hibbing** finishes his mile run with the impressive time of 4:27. A mere 2 seconds behind was teammate senior **Nick Roberts**, who finished the race in 16th place. An opportunity to compete with the best, the Drake Relays were not only a challenge, but also an honor to compete in. (photos courtesy of Erica Lynn)



WEDNESDAY

Welcome to Wednesday
Honors Banquet
(9/JV) B/TR @ Ankeny
Passover
Professional
Secretaries Day
Take Our Daughters To
Work Day

THURSDAY

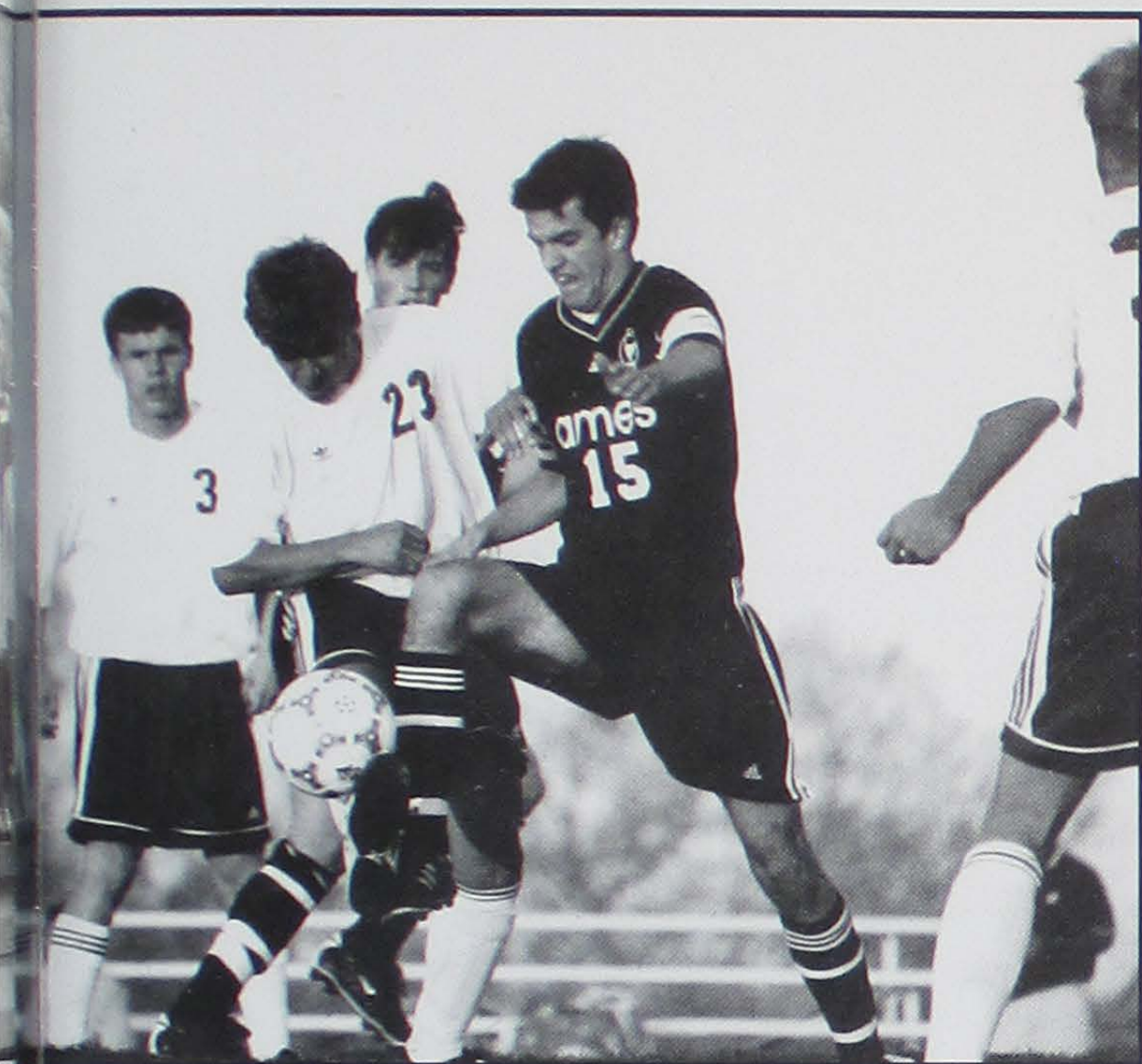
B/SC @ Ft. Dodge
B/TN @ Urbandale
G/GF Urbandale
G/TN Urbandale
Passover

FRIDAY

Drake Relays
National Arbor Day

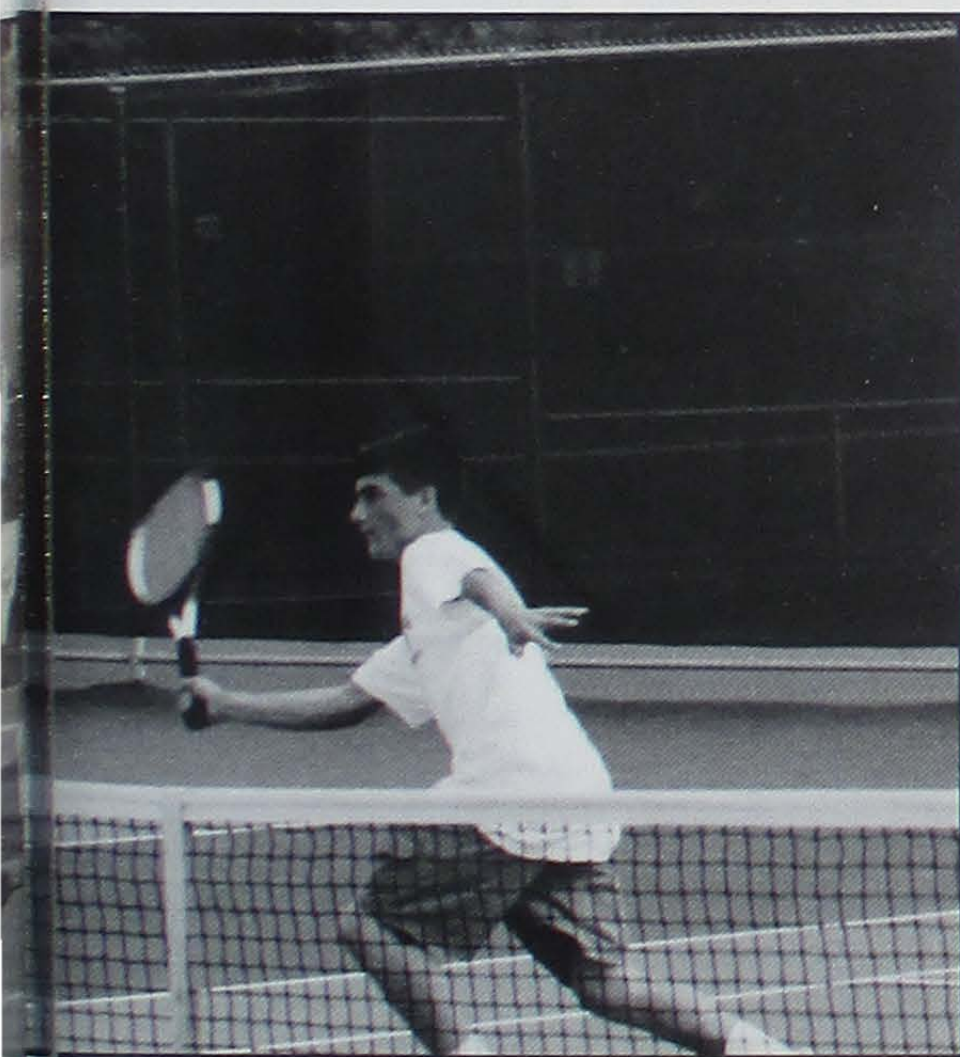
SATURDAY

Drake Relays
G/TN Ames Invite
Prom



Starting off Indianola's attempt towards the top, senior **Stephen Goldman** cuts in front of his opponents to gain control of the ball.

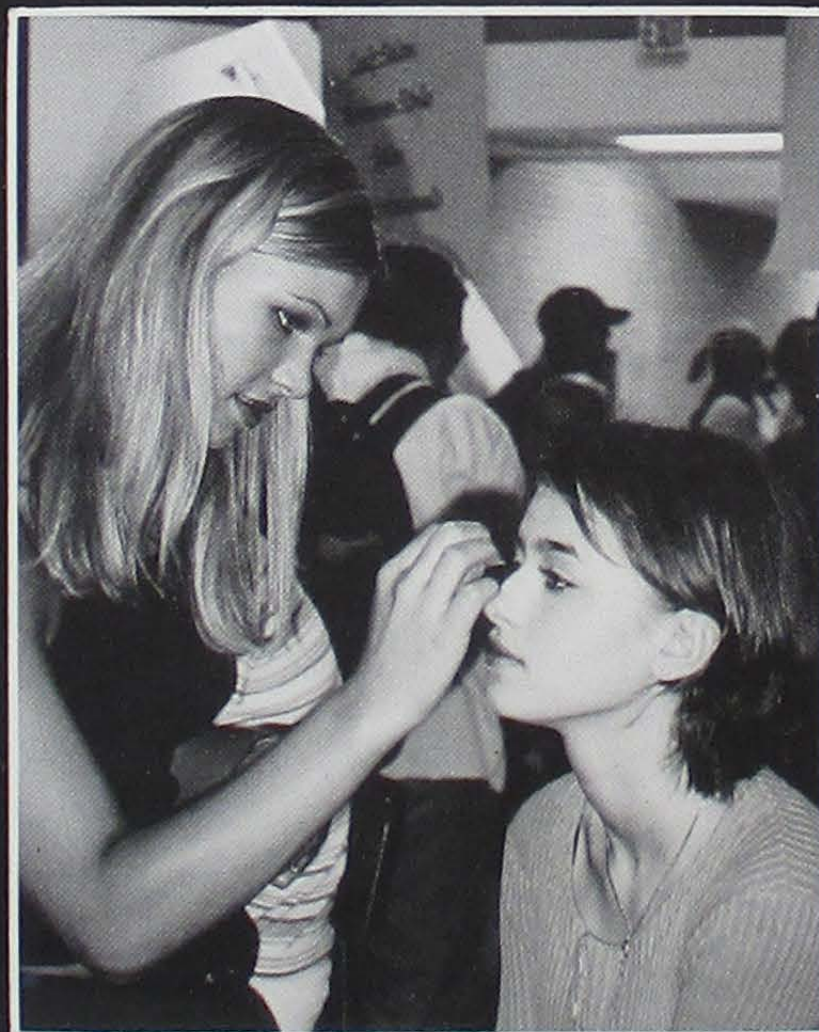
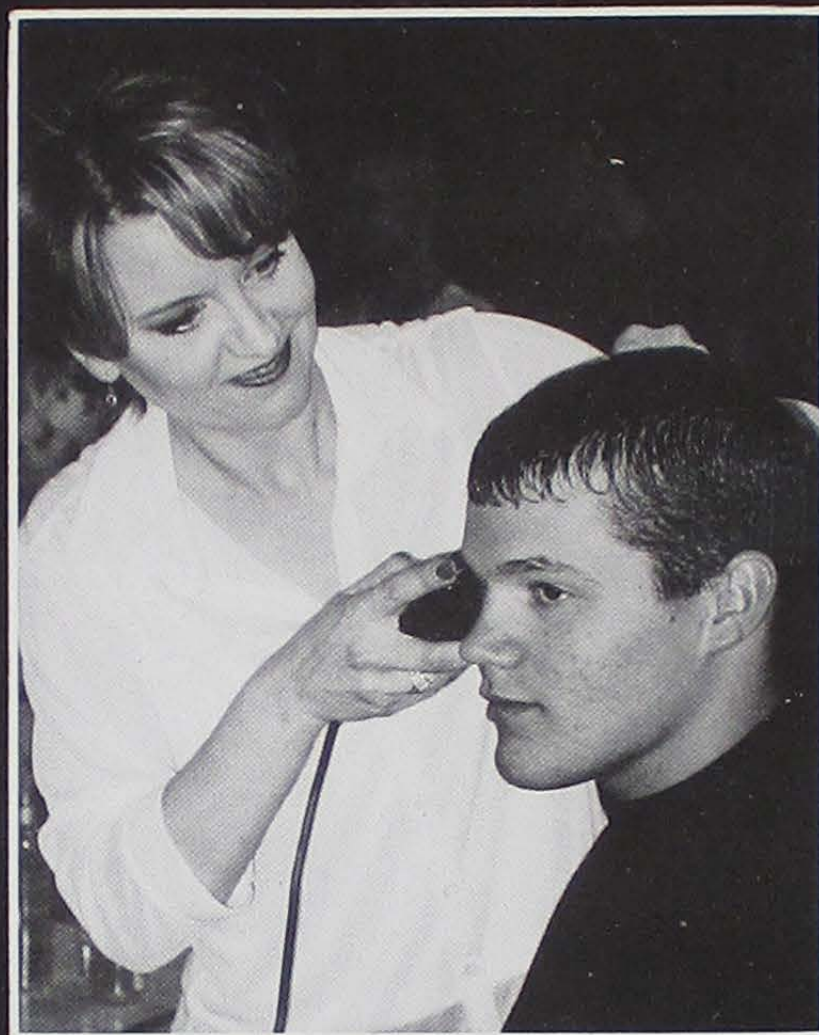
With another win, the boys soccer team was on their way to an undefeated season. (photo by Samantha Dorr)



Freshman **Teddy Nassif** prepares to return a volley for a point in his singles match against Newton during the JV/Varsity tennis meet. Ames won the meet in a close battle against the CIML rivals with a score of 6-5 in eleven games. Nassif was one of five freshman to play on the varsity tennis team. Tennis season began in March and finished with the State tournament in late May. (photo by Mike Freiberg)

THE PROM PROMISE

On Thursday, the high school became its very own salon, as the back lobby was transformed into a very popular hair and makeup studio. This salon was not only staffed with hair professionals and cosmetologists from Ames salons, but it was also free, on one condition: to remain alcohol and drug free on Prom night. After making his own "prom promise," with signatures from a parent and administrator, senior **Jordan Watkins** enjoyed his trim. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Students needing new ideas for makeup or hair styles for Prom had to look no further than the high school's back lobby. Makeup and hair artists from Ames salons gladly came up with the best beauty tips for Prom night if the students agreed to stay substance free on Prom night by signing the *Prom Promise*. Here, sophomore **Yulia Lutzinova**, a foreign exchange student, had her makeup touched up for free. (photo by Lauren Ledet)

How Much Does Prom Cost? Boys vs. Girls - Who Pays More For Prom?

compiled by Beth Peterson

BOYS

Tuxedo: \$85.00-\$100.00
Corsage: \$15.00-\$25.00
Dinner: \$50.00
Limousine: \$50.00/hour
or
Car Wash: \$5.00
Ticket Price: \$25.00

Total Average Price:
\$180.00-\$400.00

GIRLS

Dress: \$75.00-\$450.00
Boutonniere: \$6.00-\$15.00
Hair Appointment:
\$25.00-\$60.00
Nails: \$30.00
Photos: \$10.00-\$25.00

Total Average Price:
\$146.00-\$580.00

Total Average Price For a Couple: \$326.00-\$980.00



Taking a break from the dance floor at Prom, senior **Katy Crawford** gets a refreshment. "The side room gave everyone

a nice chance to talk to friends without having to yell over the music," senior **Jamie Siefert** said. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Junior **Ben Woline** and his date, senior **Amy Hronek**, sweep each other off their feet during a slow dance. Many friends

and couples raced to the dance floor during slow songs to share some special memories. (photo by Melissa Heer)



Before the night at Prom, senior **Anna North** pins a boutonniere on her date, senior **Ryan Jordan**. Most couples went through the routine of marathon pictures in front of their

families, dinner at a nice restaurant, and the dance, where everyone got the chance to snap photos with their friends and dance the night away. (photo courtesy of Anna North)

During a set of romantic slow songs, juniors **Adam Shaul** and **Brandon Cornelious** sway to the music and talk with their underclassmen dates. Breaking with what many people would like to call tradition, many junior and senior guys chose to bring underclassmen to the Junior/Senior Prom. Some junior and senior girls responded by bringing college dates. (photo by Melissa Heer)





Did you ever think you could end up on a stage singing like Little Richard? Just ask seniors **Brandon Winkey** and **Brandon Bogue**. They

were involved in the final scenario presented by the hypnotist at After Prom. (photo courtesy of Lindsey Wright)



After a year of campaigning, Prom Queen **Leslie Hall** takes a moment to show her excitement after her much

anticipated victory. Hall used buttons, t-shirts and charm to persuade voters. (photo by Rita Carter)



During their senior prom, seniors **Keirstin Denab**, **Ashley Van Auken** and **Lindsey Wright** take time away from

their night to save their memories for "ever after." (photo courtesy of Lindsey Wright)



With the hypnotist working his magic, junior **Esther Kindred** pleads with senior **Dan Hatt**, coaxing him to get up and exercise to help with labor pains. This was one of many scenarios the hypnotist

set up for the group of student volunteers to act out. The students got involved by turning in a form with a parent's signature of approval along with their own. (photo courtesy of Lindsey Wright)



Junior **Eric Thompson** and seniors **Mike Freiberg** and **Anthony Malooly** practice their tough guy look at Prom. "Prom was very important to me because it was one

of the last special events for me to spend time with some of my best friends," Freiberg said. (photo courtesy of Mike Freiberg)

April/May

SUNDAY

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Senior Art Show

MONDAY

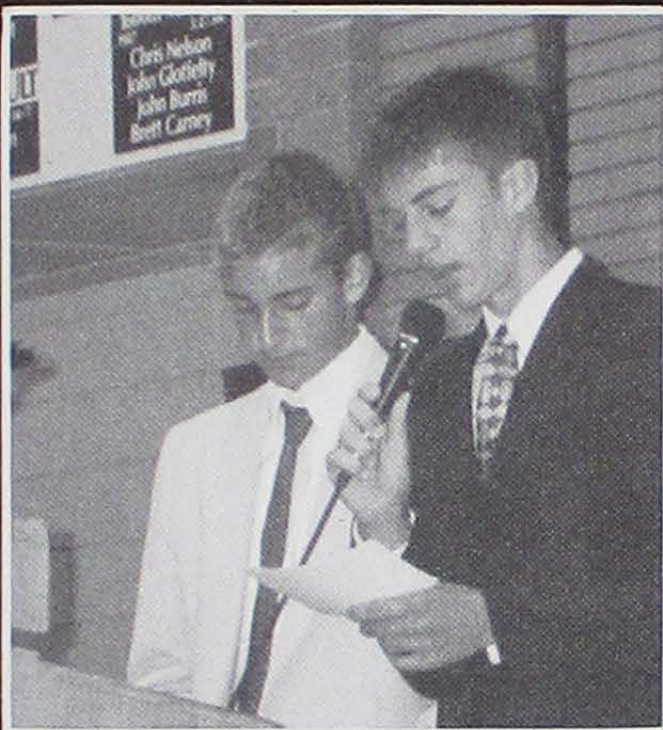
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(9) B/TR Marshalltown
Choral Concert
Bb 1st Practice

TUESDAY

2
B/SC Mason City
B/TN Johnston
B/TR Ames Invite
G/GF @ Johnston
G/TN @ Johnston
G/TR @ Mason City Invite

The Race Is On...

Three Co-President Candidate Couples Battle for the Title



Peter Acker and Brandon Crase

Planks included:

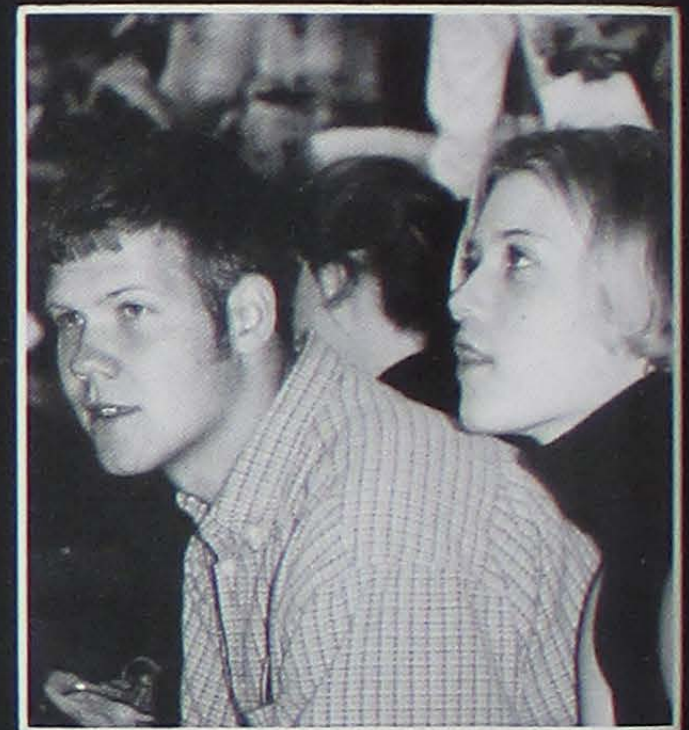
- Open forum Student Council meetings
- No more assigned study halls
- Passing time music
- Parking pass lotteries both semesters
- Bring back oral announcements
- More lunch options
- Return of the winter play



Emily Nau and Sarah White

Planks included:

- Student involvement in planning parties
- Better communication between students and administration
- More parking options
- Alternative P.E.
- Expansion of I-Ball
- Senior trip



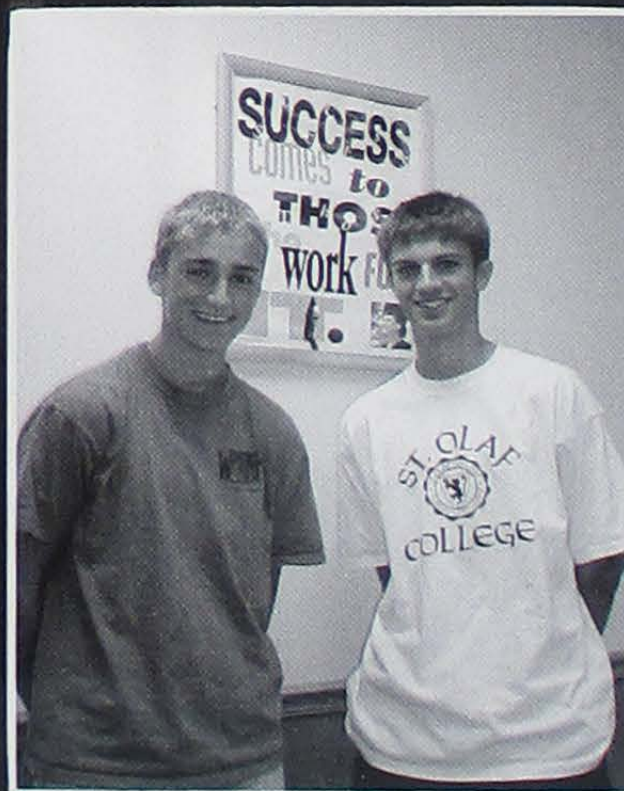
Erica Lynn and Brian Clark

Planks included:

- "Make your voice our voice"
- Increase student rights
- Create a student-run radio station
- Fix-up the school through fund-raising
- Bring back oral announcements and music
- Keep I-Ball on Wednesday
- Return of the winter play

And the Winners are...

Juniors **Peter Acker** and **Brandon Crase** smile together after learning that they won the race.



Why Did You Vote For Crase and Acker?

"I voted for them because I thought they had the best presentation at the assembly. Their ideas were original."

-sophomore **Cassandra Akers**

"They seemed as if they would be good leaders. Plus, they were cute!"

-freshman **Shannon Kerper**

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

Coaches Recognition

Band Concert

B/SC Urbandale
B/TN Newton
G/TN @ Newton

B/TR @ Adel-DeSoto Invite
State Large Group Contest
(Valley)

What Traits Should Co-Presidents Have?

compiled by Ann Benson, Julie Prindle and Julie Song

"They should have super strength, x-ray vision, and the power to defy gravity."

- senior **Bogdan Kostic**

"I think that they should be able to lie well because everyone knows the administration doesn't pass any of their planks."

- senior **Ben Stover**

"They should have Phil Vega traits."

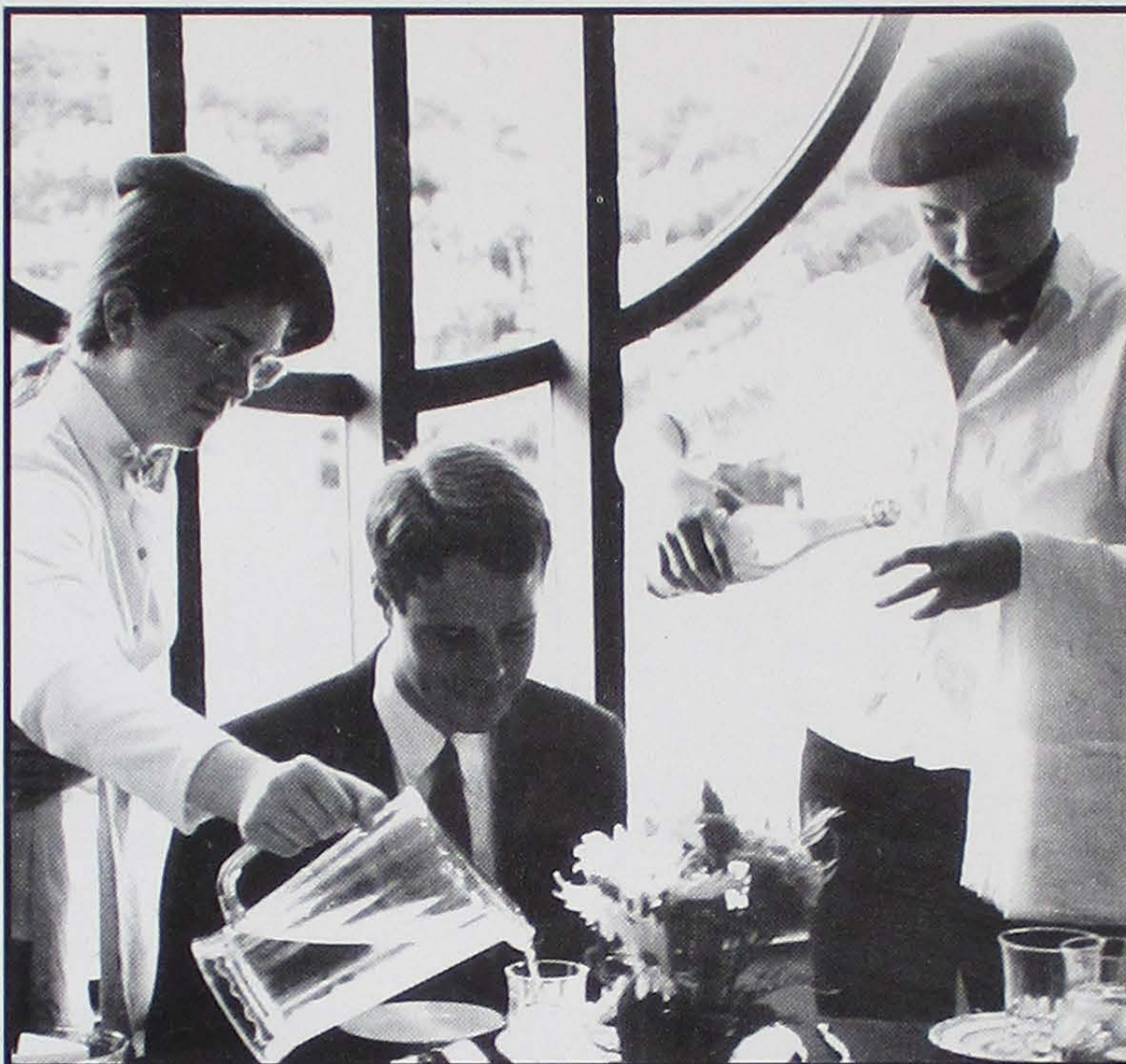
- junior **Luke Stigler**

"They should show leadership, honesty, and involvement, and respect the ideas and listen to every student."

- sophomore **Bridget Segedi**

"They should always speak of themselves in the third person."

- Anonymous freshman



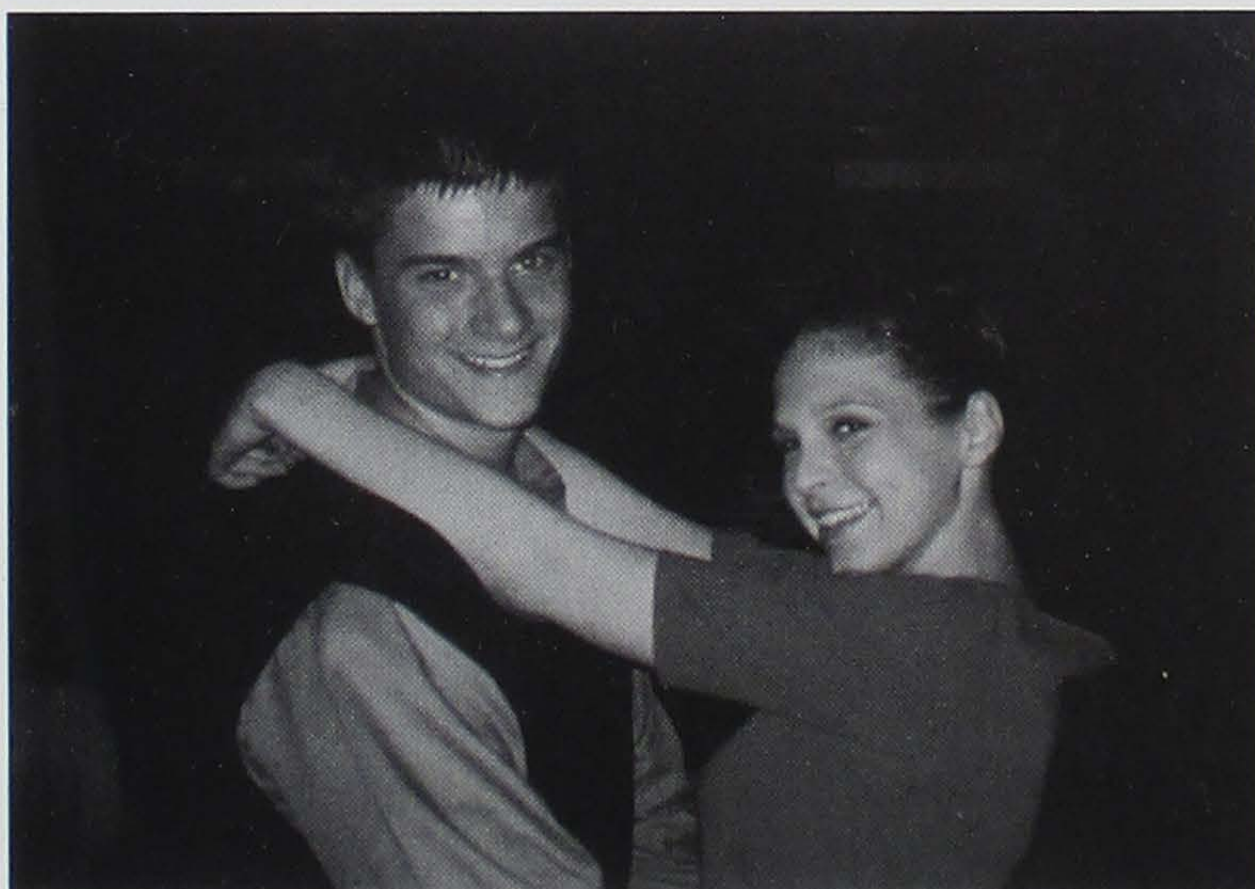
French III students, juniors **Sylvia Reed** and **Elizabeth Talbert**, wait on French IV senior **Geoff Roughton** during the annual French IV

dinner. Before the dinner, French IV students selected French III students to serve them during the dinner. (photo by Julie Prindle)



Peter Daniel Jeong watches the ball as he positions his racket during the boys'

tennis meet against Newton. (photo by Beth Peterson)



Freshmen **Drew Belcher** and **Julie Oesper** dance at the Freshmen Senate sponsored Spring Fling, an event held exclusively for members of the ninth

grade. "The dance was great because it was just the freshmen, and it brought us all together," freshman **Kaylie Engelen** said. (photo courtesy of Shannon Kerper)

May

SUNDAY

7

MONDAY

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B/SC @ Johnston
G/GF @ Ft. Dodge/Newton
G/TR Districts

TUESDAY

PAC Mtg

B/TN @ Ankeny
B/TR @ Hawk Relays
G/GF Ankeny
G/SC Dowling
G/TN Ankeny



Members of the Chess Club gather around the game board to analyze the game and predict the next appropriate move. The students were preparing for their end of the year final. The members improved

their chess skills shared them with other members. "I overcome my other inadequacies by being decent at chess," junior member **Michael Kienzler** said. (photo by Jennifer Alexander)

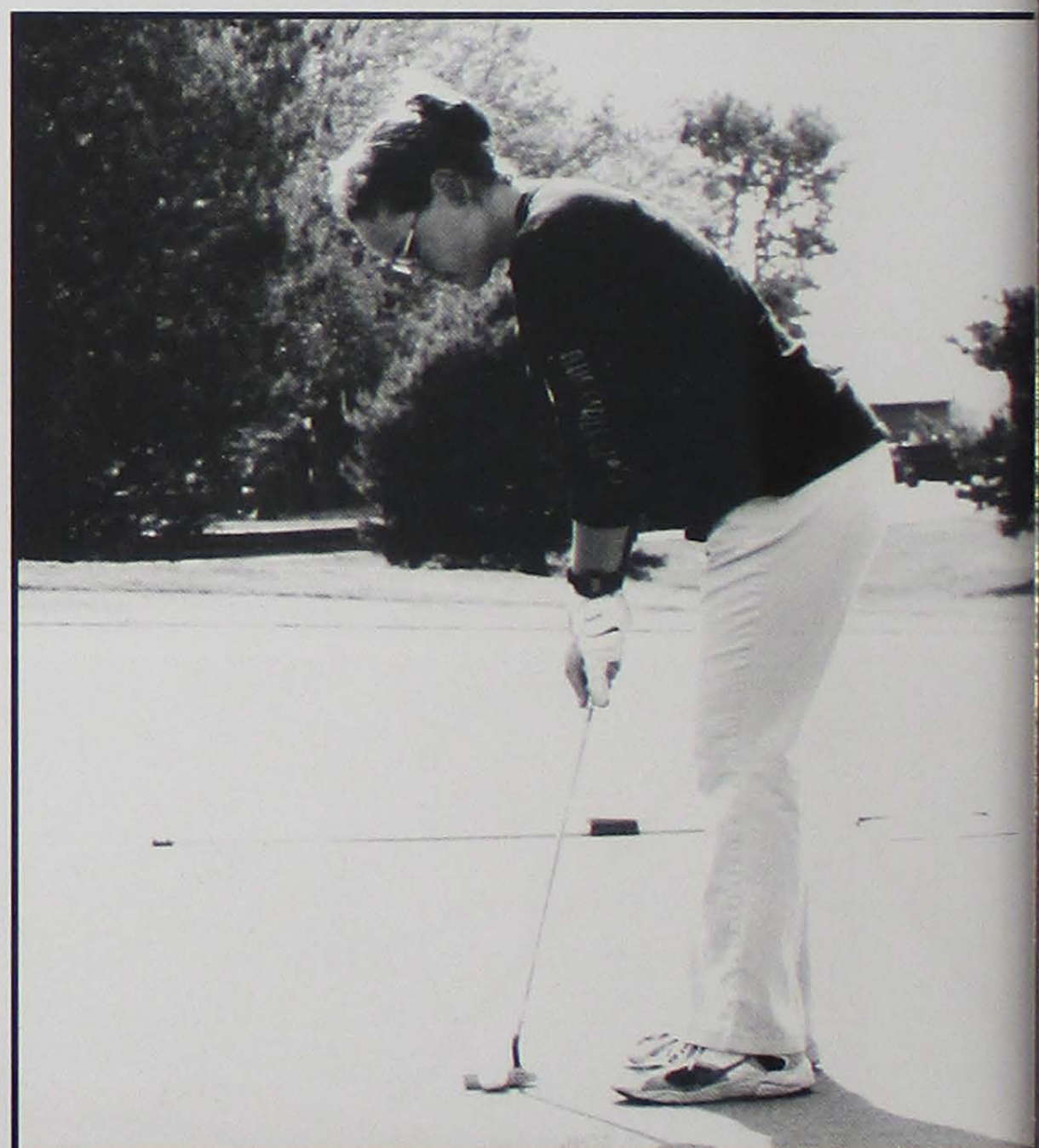


Running as anchor in sprint medley, sophomore **Stacey Arkovi** sprints to finish. "When you anchor doesn't matter how fast you can run on your own. It is how fast you can compete against others," Arkovi said. (photo by Melisse Owens)



With the school year near its close, girls' softball was in full swing. Junior **Lindsay Erickson**, sophomore **Amy Logston**, senior **Amy Koch** and sophomore **Carrie Sampson** warmed up during the first practice of the season.

"The back of our shirts summed up all of our goals with the beginning lines, 'Ignore those who discourage



"Fore!" Junior **Mara Wendel** makes her putt to end her day at the ninth hole of the Ames Golf and Country Club. At the last meet of the season, the JV girls were

victorious, beating Ankeny by several strokes. Self-dubbed the *Queens of Clio*, they finished the season undefeated. (photo by Beth Peterson)

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WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

10
Sb 1st Practice
Senior Scholarship Night

B/SC @ Newton
B/TN Districts
B/TR @ Valley Relays
G/TR Conf Meet (Johnston)
Senior One Acts

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(9) B/TR @ Hawk Relays
(Ankeny)
G/GF Conf Meet
(Urbandale)
G/SC @ East
G/TN Dowling
Senior One Acts

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B/TN Districts
Senior One Acts

Who was your favorite One-Act's character?

compiled by Susie Goldman

"Steven Diesburg as Jesus #5. My brother came home telling me how funny he was when he stood up and made Jesus a comedian."

-senior **Jennifer Oftedal**

"Jim Van Fleet, because he's the bomb."

-junior **Jason Garwood**

"Amir Efrati's character, because I was able to relate with him. He made me feel sorry for him."

-sophomore **Stephanie Moore**

"Liz Talbert did an excellent job in *This is a Test*. She gave it the humor it needed."

-freshman **Ted Brimeyer**



In a self-re-assuring oration, Elaine, played by junior **Liz Talbert**, stands on her chair to proclaim her singing ability against the background music of *Chariots of Fire*

sung by her subconscious, played by seniors **Alec Otteman**, **Maya Anderson** and junior **Megan Maher**. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



In the One Act, *The Birthday Present*, senior **Jacek Pruski** is fired from his job for doing illegal chemical experiments on humans. Unbeknownst to his son, played by

senior **Amir Efrati**, Pruski bestows him with the gift of fertility. Twenty years later, Efrati discovers that he is the last fertile man on earth. (photo by Jen Alexander)



Do...re...mi... Sophomores **Sarah Long**, **Christina Johnson** and **Annon Woodin** struggle over their chorus music while practicing for the end of the year vocal

assessment. Students were placed in concert chorale or concert choir depending on how well their audition went. (photo by Caitlin Clark)

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SUNDAY

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MONDAY

9th Orientation
G/GF Districts
G/SC @ Marshalltown

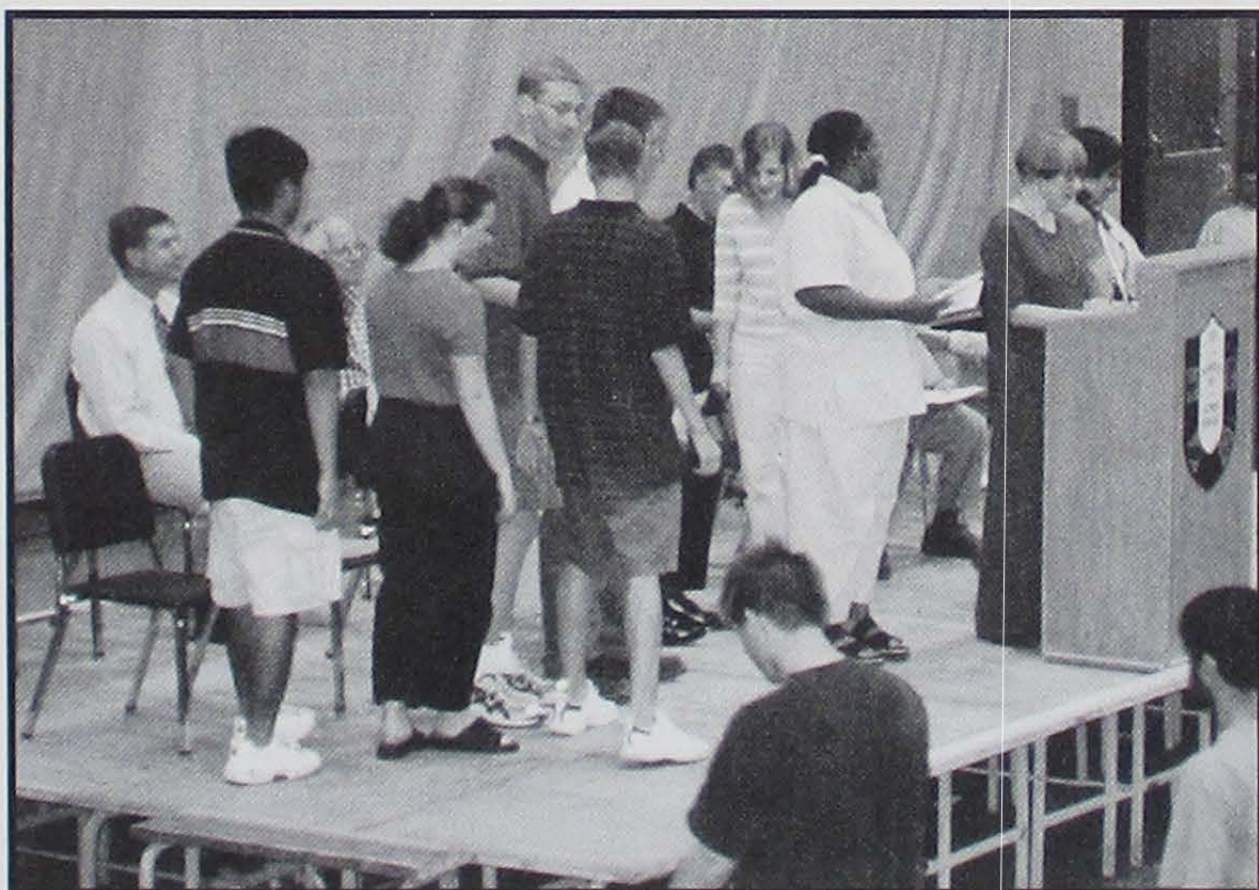
TUESDAY

B/SC Ankeny
B/TR Conference (Newton)
G/SC @ Ft. Dodge



After the 4x800 meter relay race at the CIML championship in Newton, many team members rushed forward to congratulate the four runners on their first place finish. The runners in the 4x800 squad were just a few of the many members of the track team to score points in

the meet. At the end of the meet, after the announcer read off the final score with Ames being the CIML champions, the whole team ran around the track cheering and singing *Ames High Loyalty*. (photo courtesy of Joe Cheney)



Senior members of Speech Club were recognized at the Awards Assembly. The annual assembly was organized by the

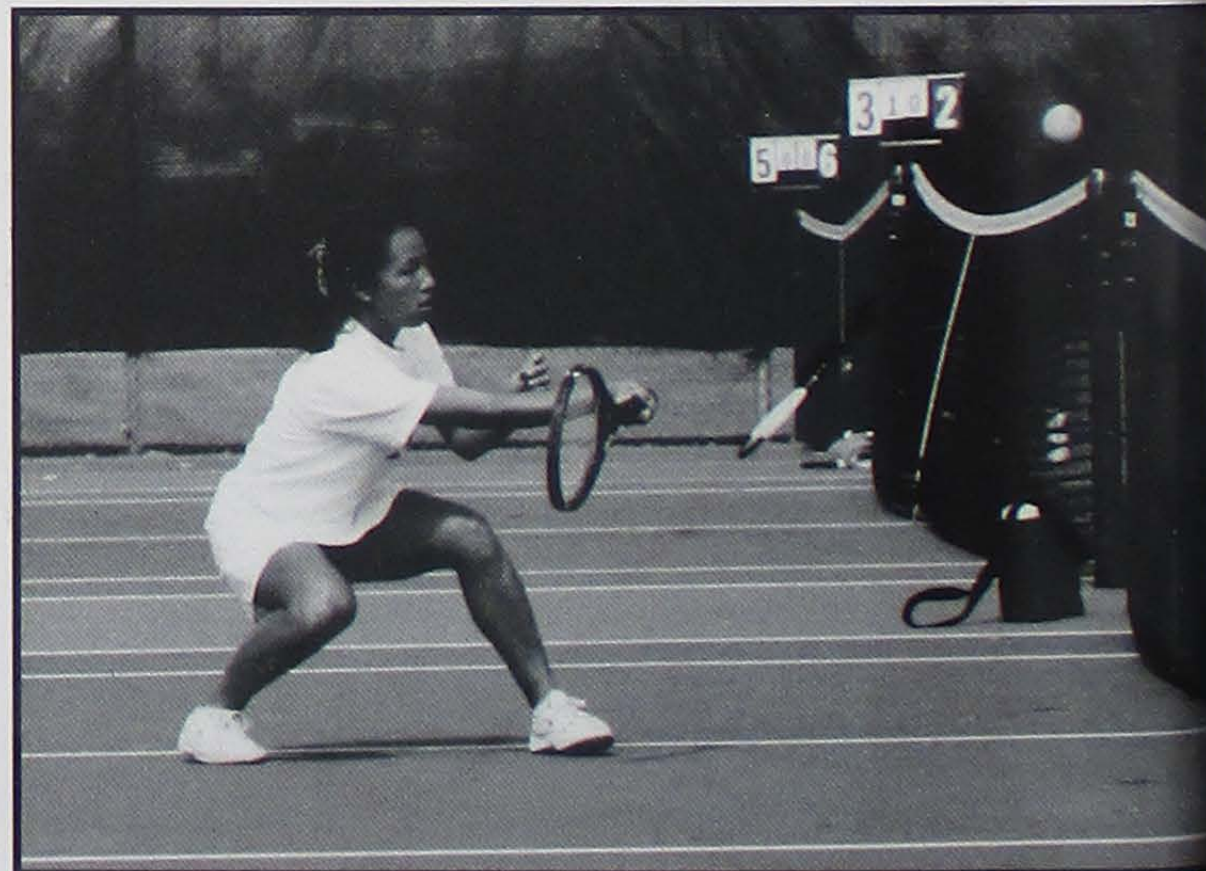
counselors to recognize the various achievements of Ames High seniors. (photo by Lauren Ledet)

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Junior **Travis Grady** questions his golfing ability as his ball disappears into the woods during the golf unit in P.E. The

unit gave students a chance to get out the side and play golf in the warm spring weather. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Planting her feet and setting her racket, sophomore **Amanda Yeung** returns a volley from an opponent. The Little Cy-

clones overpowered the Johnston Dragons to capture a 10-1 victory. (photo by Amy Chung)

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

17

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Awards Assembly

19
G/SC Valley
G/TN Individual Regionals
G/TR State

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B/SC Districts
B/TN Substate
(JV) G/SC @ Urbandale
Tournament
G/TN Team Regionals
G/TN State



Senior **Andrew Penney** tries on his cap and gown issued Friday in homeroom. Penney and fellow seniors took advantage of this time to, not only ensure a proper fit,

but also practice their walking and posture for the real thing. The Commencement ceremonies took place at Hilton Coliseum on May 26th. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Senior **Curt McGeeney** steals the ball from an Ankeny player. Senior soccer players were recognized with their parents as part of Senior Night before the game. The team ended the season with a win. (photo by Sam Dorr)



Junior **Jennifer Yates** sets up on the side line for a throw-in during a JV soccer

game against Valley. (photo by Jennifer Alexander)



Lunging forward and placing his body in front of an attacking opponent, senior **Jon Hoyt** waits for an Urbandale player to take a "dive" and for the ball to be knocked free.

The boys soccer team beat Fort Dodge High to head for the state tournament in Muscatine on June 2nd. (photo by Sam Dorr)

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May

SUNDAY

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MONDAY

School Board Mtg @ AHS
G/GF Regionals
G/TN Team Regionals
JV/V Bb Dowling
Pops Concert

TUESDAY

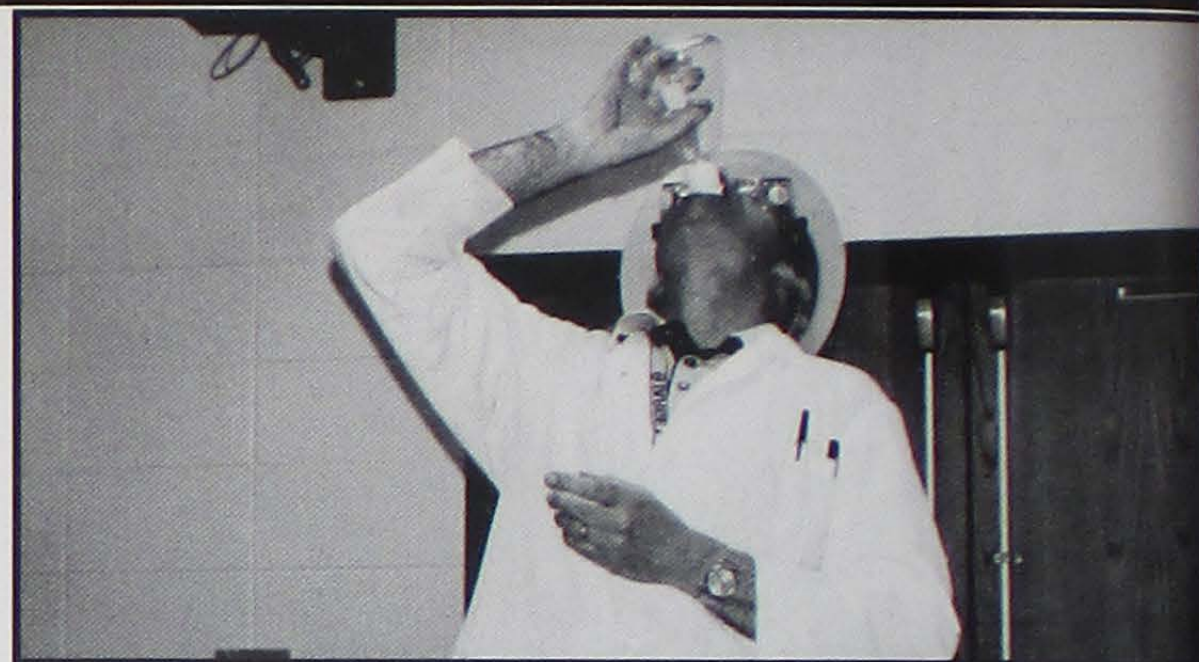
9th Choir at AMS
B/SC Substate
G/TN Team Regionals
G/SC Indianola

SAYING GOOD-BYE

Senior **Amy Sargent** takes time to rest on senior **Heather McEachran's** shoulders during the senior picnic. The senior picnic celebrated the end of the school year for the seniors and provided them with a chance to end their high school years with a day filled with food, games, much-deserved relaxation and reminiscing with friends. (photo by Lauren Ledet)

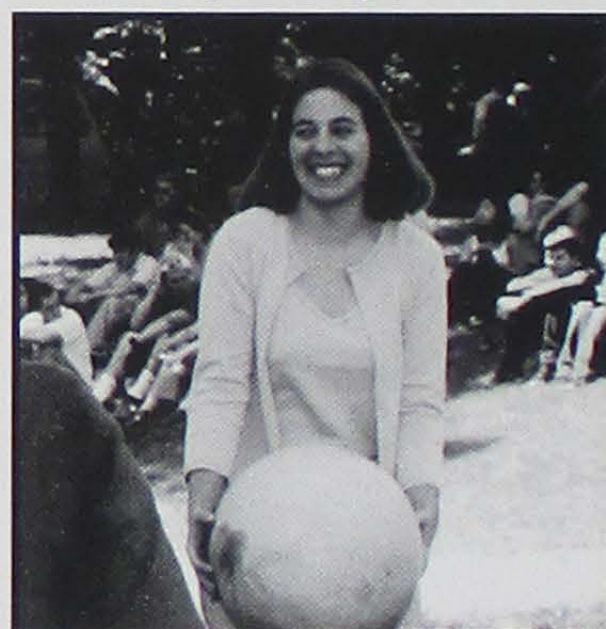


Senior **Brian Tenney** enjoys watching the volleyball game while sitting in the shade and drinking a Pepsi. The sunny day offered a cheerful environment for the variety of activities during the senior picnic. All of Emma McCarthy Lee Park was open to the seniors, providing them with a kaleidoscope of activities. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Chemistry teacher **Ken Hartman** demonstrates his favorite experiment during the Chemistry Extravaganza on the se-

niors' last day. During his experiment, he slides an egg in and out of a test tube, adjusting the pressure. (photo by L. Ledet)



Seniors **Lindsay VanFleet** and **Melissa Heer** entertain themselves with a bouncy ball during a rousing game of keep away.



They played the game with their friends during the senior picnic. (photos by Lauren Ledet)



Freshmen **Annie Vleck**, **Kathy Compton** and **Rachel Haydon** play their clarinets with gusto during the Pops Concert. A

part of the mass band, they played *Deja Vu*, a percussive piece. (photo by Julie Song)

WEDNESDAY

THURSDAY

FRIDAY

SATURDAY

G/TN Team Regionals
JV/V Bb Roland-Story

B/SC Substate
Baccalaureate @ Stephens
Aud.

B/TN State
B/TR State
Commencement @ Hilton
Coliseum

B/TN State
B/TR State
V Bb @ Urbandale

SENIORS' LAST MOMENTS



On their last day of high school, members of the senior class savor one of their daily rituals by gathering in the back lobby. This provided them with a chance

to socialize and reminisce about their lives together one last time. (photo by Beth Peterson)



Junior **Dekel Luban** concentrates on her music as she prepares to play her violin during the orchestra's Baccalaureate performance. (photo by Julie Song)



During a rough game of wink wars, seniors **Mark Larwick** and **Kelley Miller** wrestle their way across the wink circle in

an exuberant attempt to reach the other side of the circle by the count of ten. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Senior **Melanie Hafermann** takes a moment to relax and drink a Pepsi as she watches the turbulent volleyball game. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Seniors **Ryan Gleason**, **Lane Pyle** and **Molly Muehe** ponder their senior status after eating lunch during the senior picnic. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Taking advantage of the little time they had left to talk at school, seniors **Abby Brannan** and **Lindsay Pohlman** exchange stories and a snack with junior **Kesha Johns**. (photo by Lindsay VanFleet)

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A TALE OF TWO SENIORS

Graduates reflect on their high school experience

by Lindsay Van Fleet and Jennifer Oftedal

by Lindsay Van Fleet
Editor-in-Chief

As all of us worked to arrange our tassels and get in line, I started thinking about graduation. It was only minutes away from the big moment and the experience was a little too surreal for me. As we walked in, I noticed I was sitting nowhere near my close friends. Looking around at all the people, I felt regret. I regretted not knowing my classmates. I was a person who was very loud with the friends I had, and very quiet around people I didn't know. Instead of trying to meet others, I shied away from people I didn't know. Until my senior year, I had classes with all the same people. Most of my friends outside of my close circle were either older or younger than me. I guess what I am trying to say is that even though I loved my years here meeting people, I must admit, I wish I had known more of my own classmates. As I walked across the stage to receive the cover of my diploma, I glanced across the floor at the people with whom I had shared the last four years. I took a deep breath and remembered all the good times I had and even though I didn't know all the people there, they all felt connected to me somehow.

by Jennifer Oftedal
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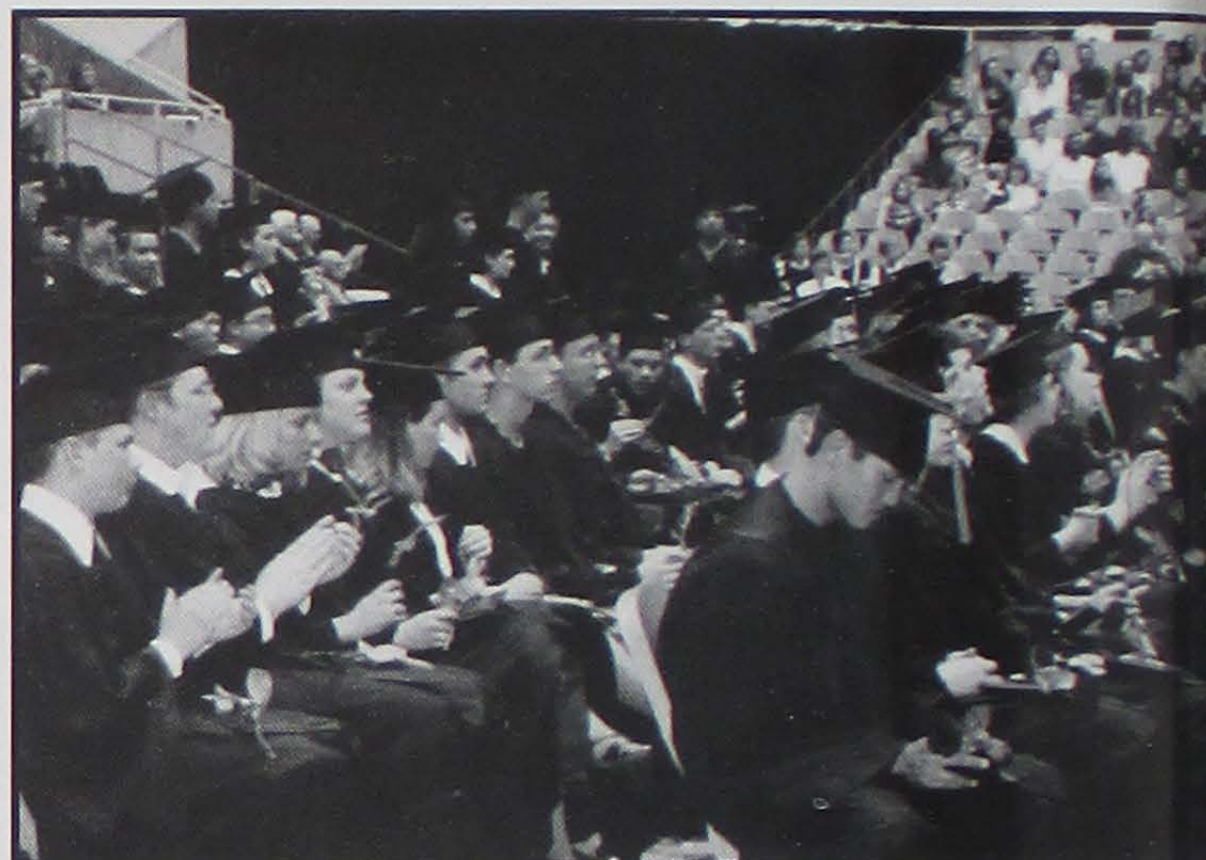
We all knew graduation would send us in different directions. Yet, what we didn't know was the very event that was pulling us apart was bringing us together first. In the week which preceded graduation we, the senior class, spent more time together than in the previous four years of high school. After Baccalaureate we walked backstage and found an acquaintance crying. We hugged them and instantly became friends. At open houses we struggled to find the perfect words to express the gratitude we felt for our friends. We were all at a point we had never been before and would never be again, and this brought us together.

For me, graduation made me look forward, but first it made me look back. I thought back on my elementary school years and my favorite kindergarten teacher. I remembered my third grade year spent in California and our love of four square and wall ball at recess. I thought of my middle school years and how I discovered cute boys and mystery murder dinner parties with my friends. Finally, I came to my high school years and realized they too were now years to remember. I was

thankful for all the people who had taken care of me and so I wrote letters. I wrote letters to my friends in Georgia, Chicago, California and Minneapolis, and let them know I remembered them and wished them the best as they graduated. I wrote letters to my friends from high school too, just to tell them I was grateful for our memories, our openness over coffee, the crazy times we had in band and the random acts of kindness that pleasantly surprised me in the hallways.



In a hoard of people, senior **Adlai Hu** takes the time to talk to his relatives and explain to them what his plans are for the future. (photo by Melisse Owen)

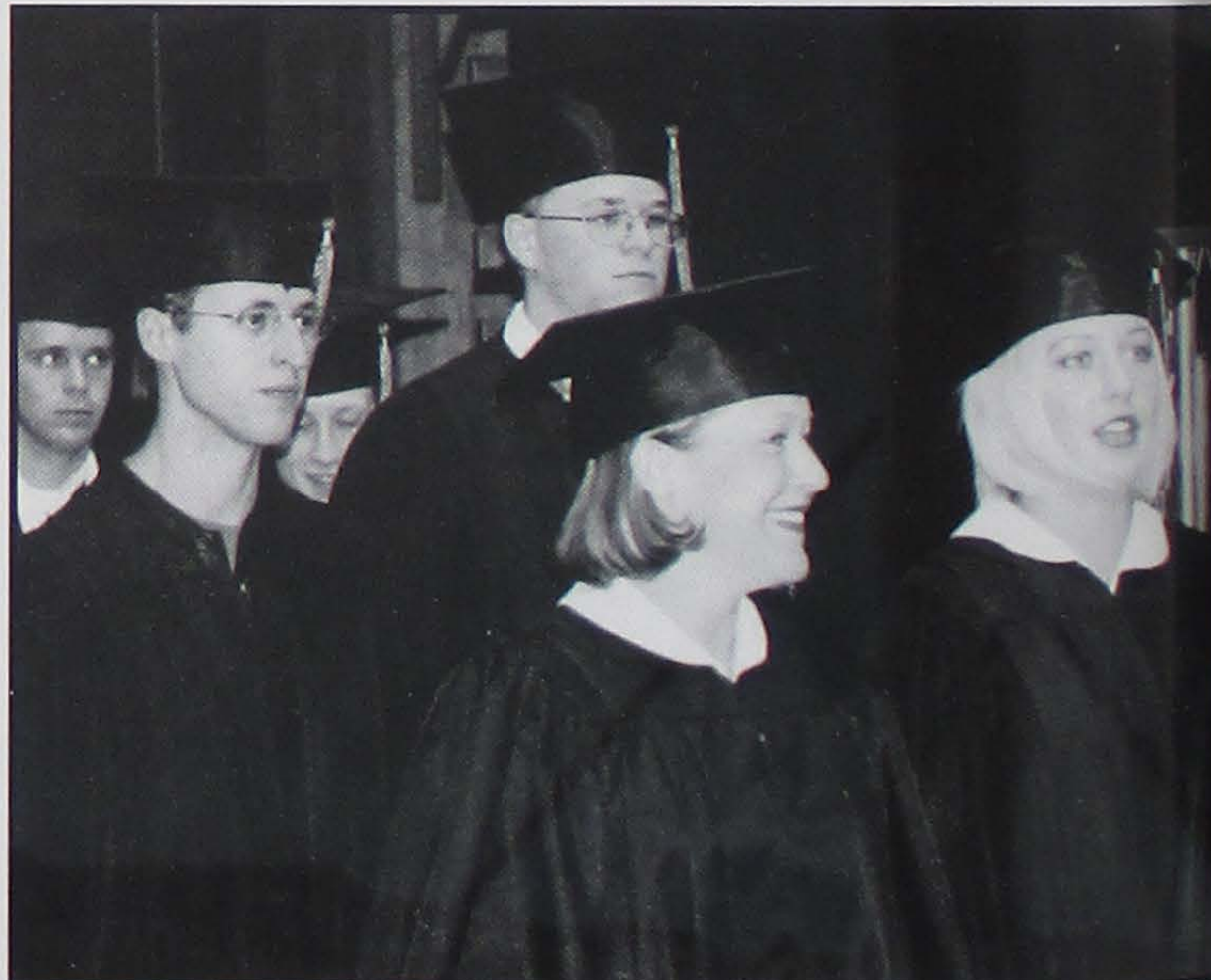


With diplomas and roses in hand, graduating seniors clap for their remaining classmates as they receive their own diplomas.

Junior senate members greeted each senior with a rose and smile as they walked the stage. (photo by Melisse Owen)



In the crowd of family and friends that followed the commencement ceremony, senior **Andy Kohler** peers out above the mass to find his mom and dad. Following the ceremony, parents and friends rushed out onto the floor hoping to find their graduate for a hug and many pictures. (photo by Melisse Owen)

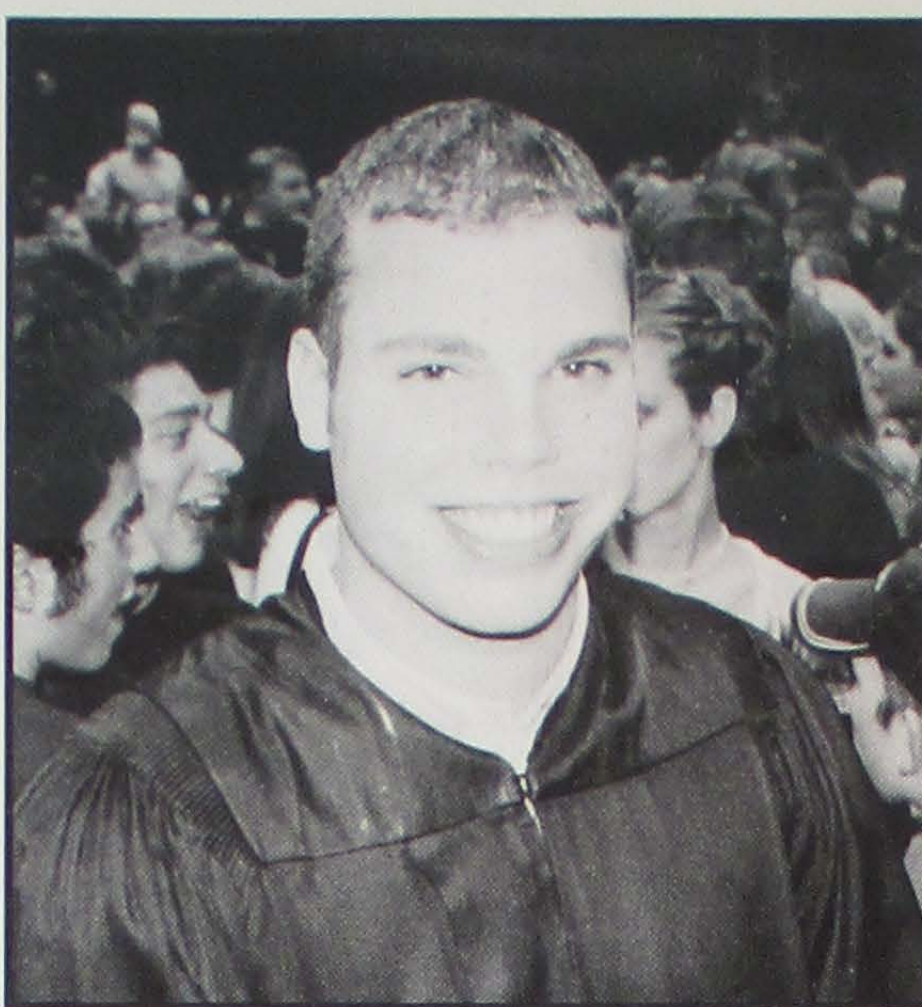


As they march past the band and into the coliseum with their fellow classmates, seniors **Betsy Deardorff**, **Bridget Rhodes**,

Jonathan Jackson and **Matt Helland** take a moment to smile at some of the familiar faces in the crowd. (photo by M. Owen)



Prior to the graduation ceremony, band members entertain the restless crowd with *America the Beautiful*. Before Mr. Achter declared commencement over with the tossing of the caps, the band paid one last tribute to the senior class by playing *Loyalty*. "Everyone did a really nice job making the ceremony a memorable one. The speakers, band and choir members all did an awesome job. It felt good to walk out of Hilton with all of my classmates afterwards," senior **Terri Stalheim** said. (photo by Melisse Owen)



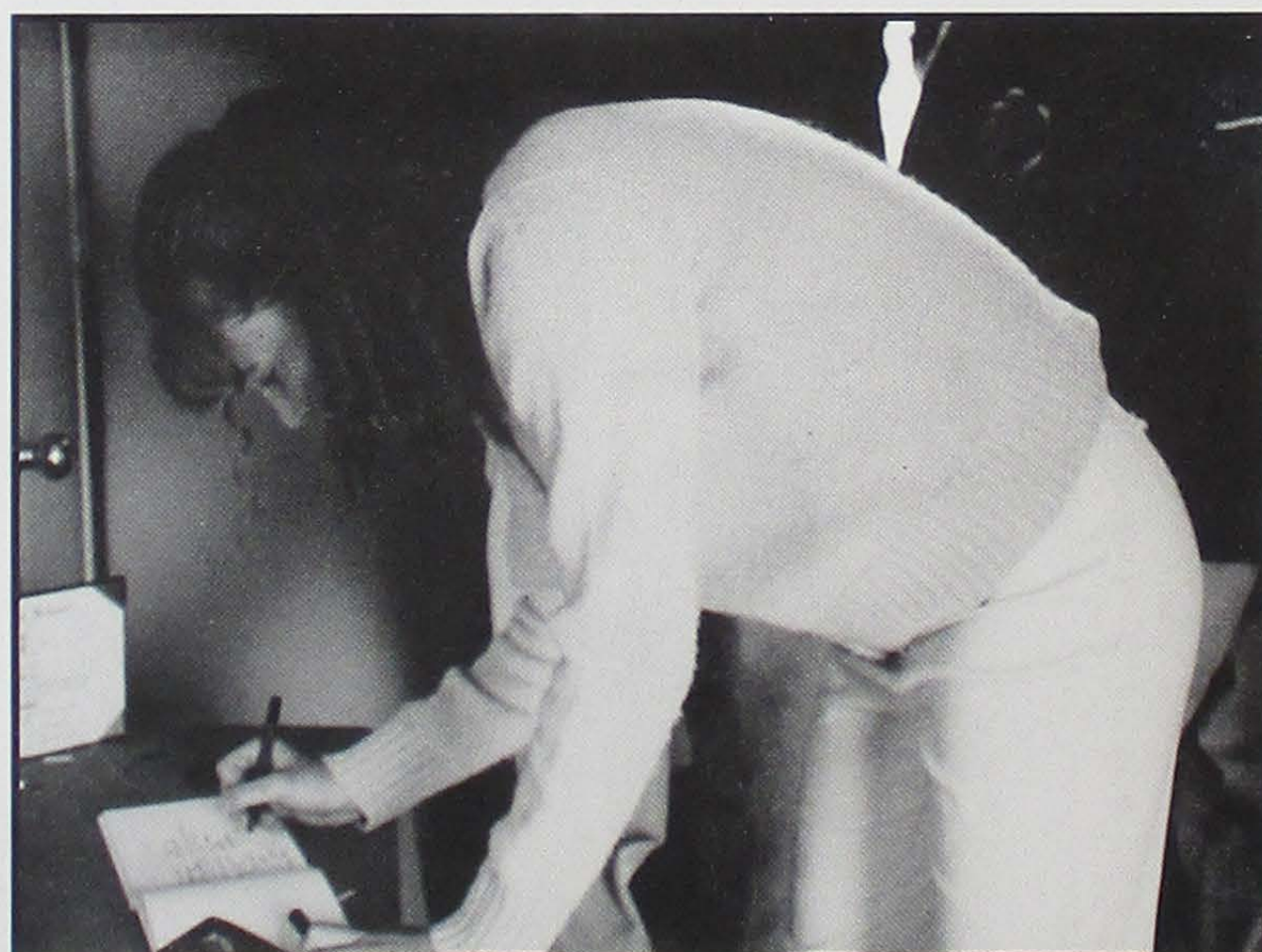
With commencement complete and photos snapped, senior **Matt Zimmerman** grins with the knowledge that it is time to hand in his gown and leave with his friends to celebrate. The week prior to graduation was filled with activities for seniors to enjoy, including Baccalaureate, the senior picnic, senior parties and the pancake breakfast following graduation rehearsal. Still, all graduates found the energy to say their last good-byes to friends and teachers after the ceremony. (photo by Melisse Owen)

The band plays the first notes of *Pomp and Circumstance*, graduating seniors wait for classmate senior **Aki Nagawa** to address the class and open the ceremony. "Tonight is a glorious night, a night to be remembered always. Proud and acknowledge how far we have come to reach this point... this moment in time," Nagawa said eloquently in the first stanza of his opening words. Seniors **Al Golchin**, **Shawn Sebastian** and **Liz Vogel** also inspired the crowd with inspirational speeches. (photo by Melisse Owen)



Taking time to enjoy themselves, juniors **Michael Nassif**, **Matt Murphy**, **Jamie Smith** and **Jamie Colbert** relax with ice

cream and punch at one of the many open houses they went to over the weekend. (photo by Amy Chung)



Junior **Laura Wilson** signs senior **Brandon Winkey's** signature book during a marathon afternoon of open houses. Stu-

dents had to organize their weekend schedules around the multitude of graduation open houses. (photo by Amy Chung)

May/June

SUNDAY

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MONDAY

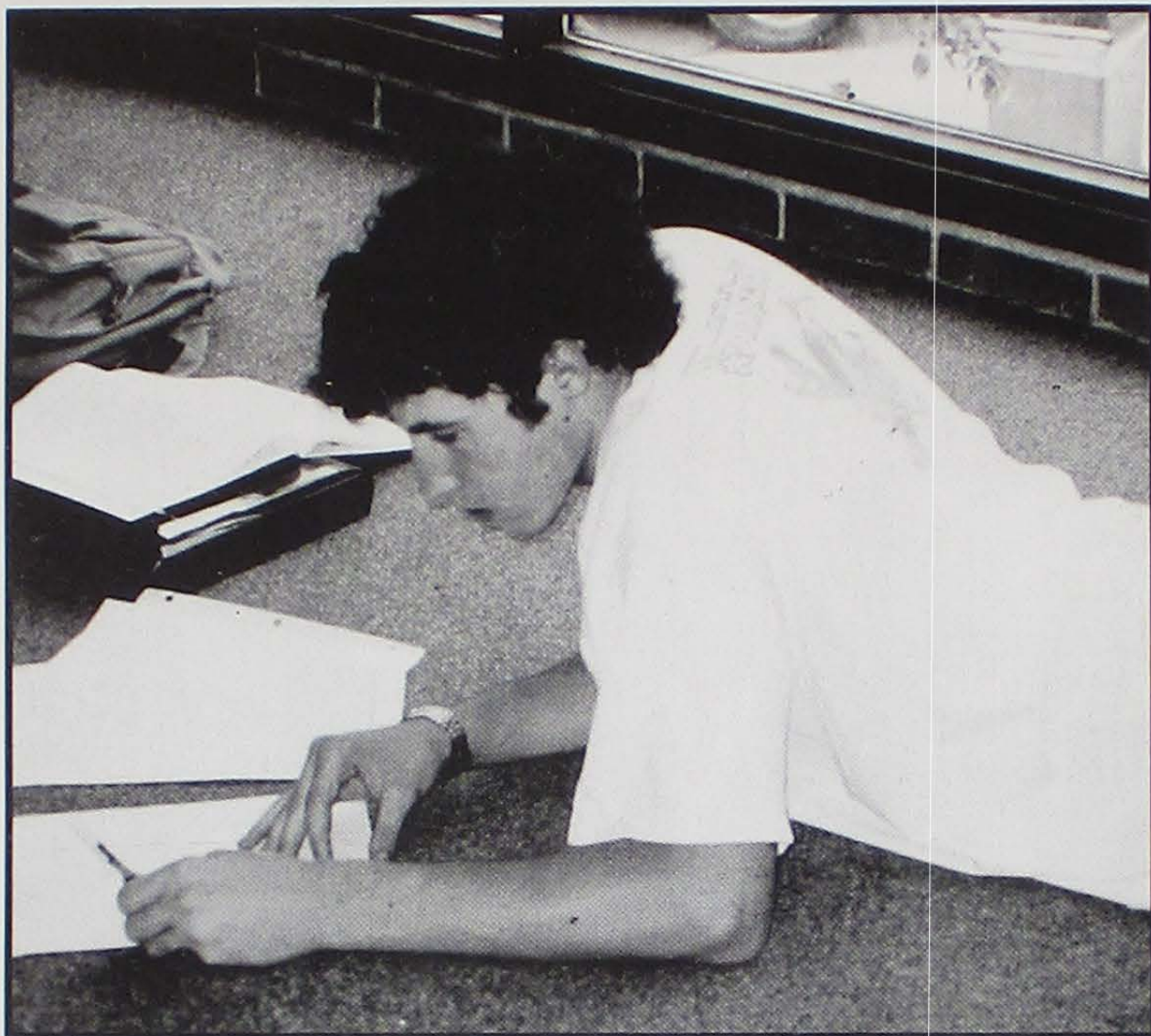
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Memorial Day: NO SCHOOL

TUESDAY

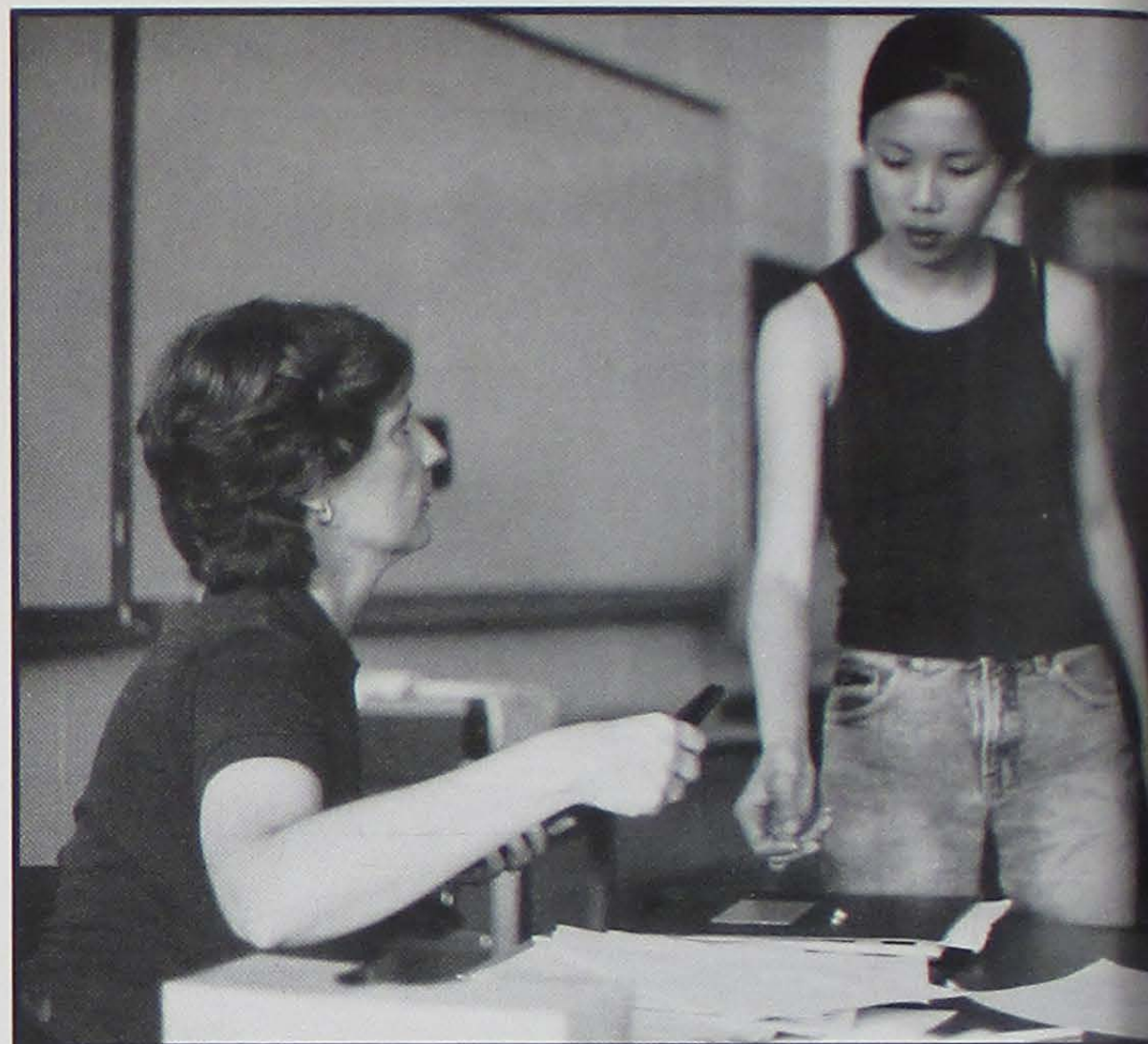
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B/TN Team State
G/GF State
G/TR Pentathlon



In a school with over 1600 students it's often hard to find a peaceful place to study, but senior **Ben Vilmain** succeeds.

His hiding place was a window seat overlooking the courtyard. (photo by Rita Carter)



Whew! Freshman **Jing Wang** completes her geometry final and hands it in to math teacher **Thelma Maxwell** to rid herself of another stressful exam. By the

end of the year many students felt consumed by the pressures of school and were relieved to be done with finals. (photo by Jennifer Alexander)

Educational Assistant **Laurie Myers** directs a hairy pink ape to English teacher **LoAnn Campbell's** classroom on the last day of school. The ape with balloons was a surprise from her husband to celebrate her retirement. (photo by Prindle)



Surprisingly, junior **Katie Swank** is able to get comfortable on a hard table in the Foods Room. Due to the lack of sleep, many

students found it necessary to catch on their sleep whenever and wherever they could. (photo by Rita Carter)

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WEDNESDAY

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Semester Tests

THURSDAY

Semester Tests
(JV/V) Bb @ Boone
(9) Sb @ Marshalltown
G/SC Urbandale
G/TN Team State

FRIDAY

(9/10) Bb Marshalltown
(V) Bb @ Marshalltown
B/SC State
Sb @ North Scott Tourn

SATURDAY

B/SC State
G/SC @ Urbandale Tourn
G/TN State
(JV) Sb Classic
Sb @ North Scott Classic



School's out! Junior **John Laville** celebrates with sophomore **Dara Poorman** in front of school on the last day. "My friends and I planned on having a get-together to watch movies that we never

got to see during the school year because we were so busy," Poorman said. After nine months of hard work, students were ready to party and forget about school. (photo by Rita Carter)



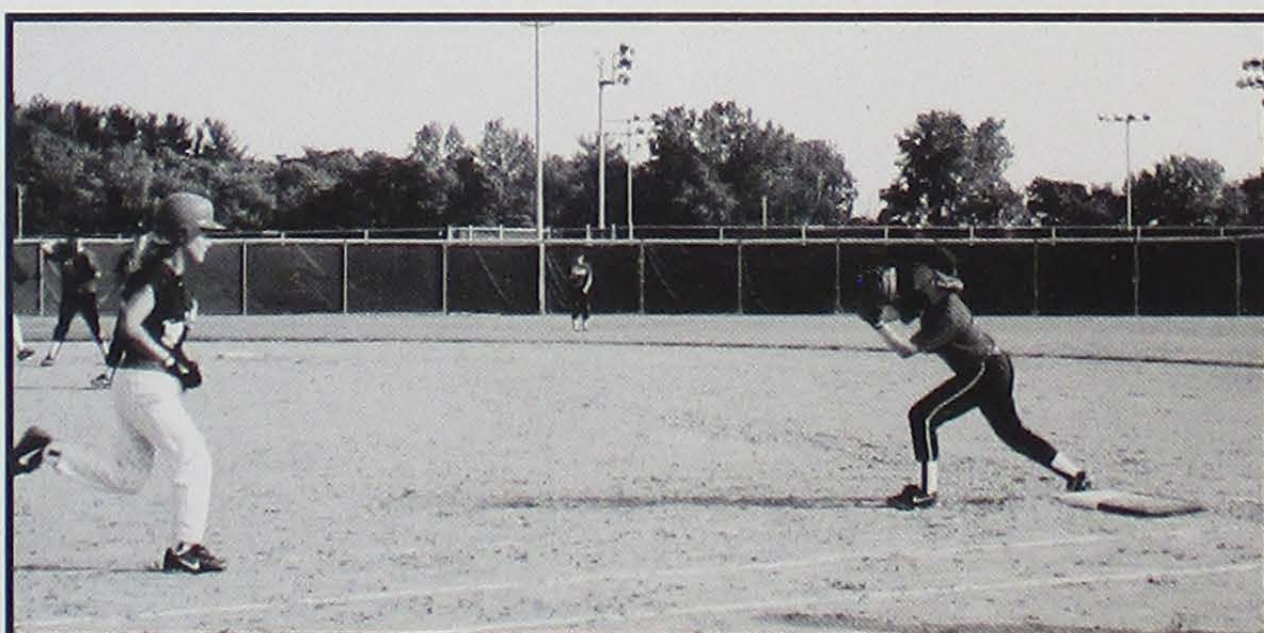
Sophomore **Rachel Marek** sprints to catch an Urbandale player during a Varsity soccer game. Urbandale, which was the fifth ranked team in the state, fell to Ames with a score of 3-2. "Winning against

Urbandale was a turning point for us because we started believing in ourselves more. Everyone put their whole selves into the game and everyone wanted to win," Marek said. (photo by Alexander)



Demonstrating her unique talent, junior **Dorothea Unger**, dazzles her friends in the courtyard between finals. Unger was a foreign exchange student from Ger-

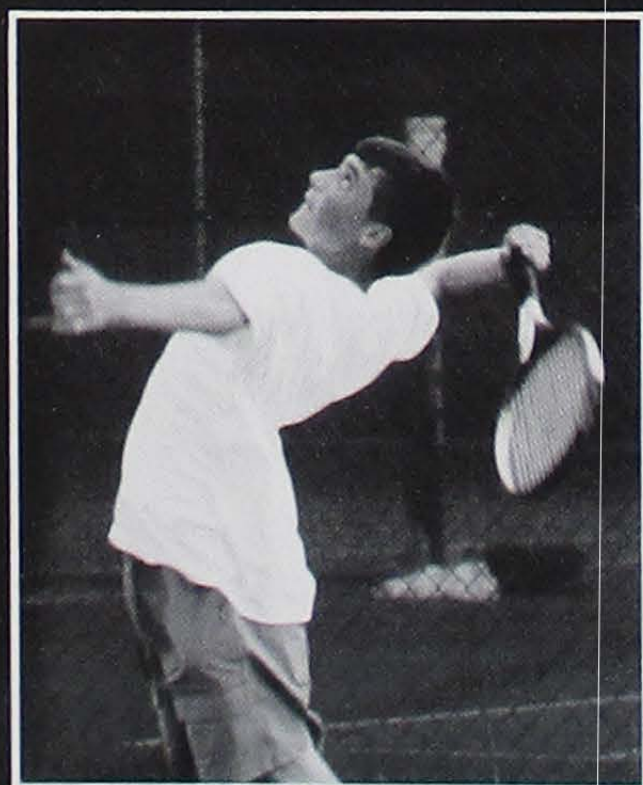
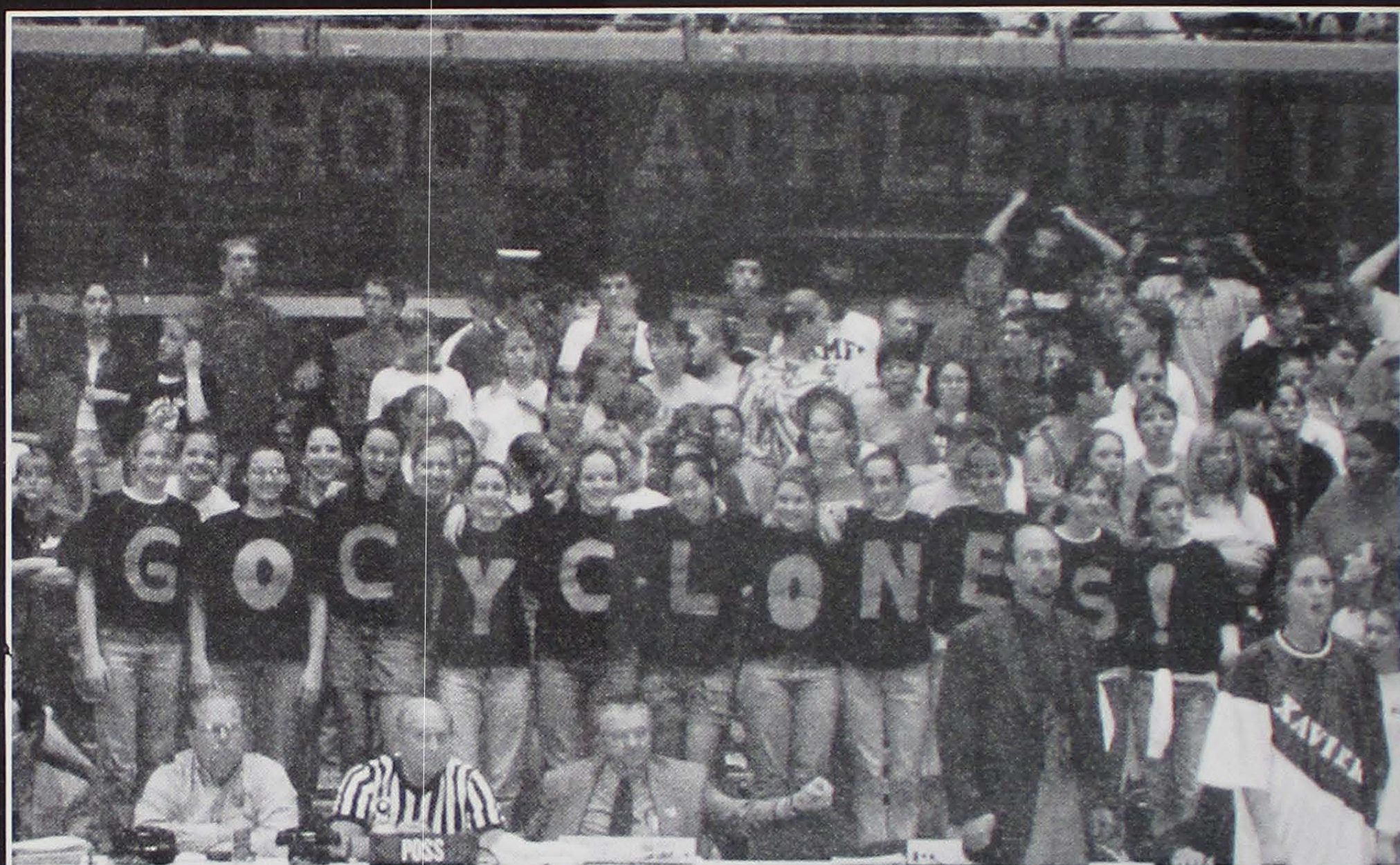
many who brought some of her culture to Ames. Exchange students often brought items from home to share with students. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



Making a play at first, sophomore **Megan Hunziker** gets the Marshalltown runner out. With the assist by sophomore **Carrie**

Samson, Hunziker's play was able to boost the JV team to their first win of the season. (photo by Jennifer Alexander)

C l u b s & S p o r t s



Over Time

They are the framework of our social life,
And help us deal with academic strife.
They help us bond and greet all sorts of friends.
Some friendships last, some don't, it all depends.

Sports are common grounds in which to bond,
Clubs are where like-interests can be found.
Sports and clubs are much like close-knit brothers,

But open to the membership of others.
I have found that when teams work together,
They often bind to be birds of one feather.
Through blood, sweat, tears, and all that we hold dear,

Teammates can help conquer dreams and fears.
With clubs, the same is true, but towards a goal,
Although less physical, it takes its toll
With problem solving and compromise.
Results can be a friendship in disguise.

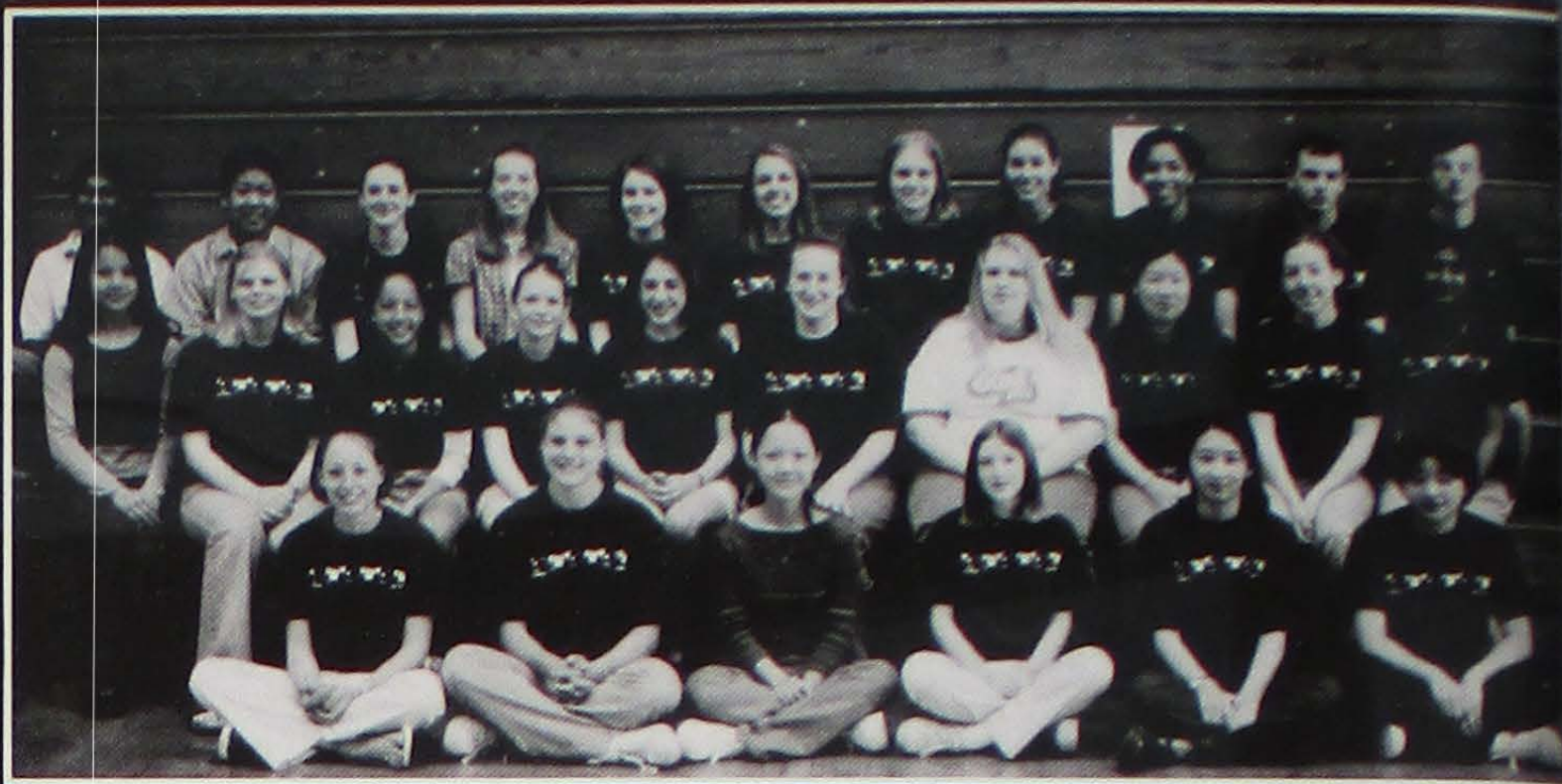
So examine opportunities,
And don't let them be wishful memories.
Get involved today and don't become
An after-school couch potato bum.

-senior Josh Strasburg

Kiwanis Key Club

"It was a great experience to help in the community. I remember when we worked the concessions at ISU games, and there weren't any calculators so we had to do all the numbers in our heads."

~senior Heidy Chang~



First Row: Lisle Hinderks, Kellie Jutting, Jenny Chung, Amanda Doering, Heidy Chang, Sandy Chang **Second Row:** Amy Chung, Sara Tamashunas, Amanda Yeung, Mandy Hyde, Nassrene Hashemi, Steph Schmaltz, Molly Bungert, Jessica Lee, Erin McCuskey, Shilpa Reddy **Third Row:** Eknath Vittal, Peter Ng, Megan Doering, Sarah Beisser, Jamie Siefert, Jennifer Lowry, Christine Kracher, Maya Anderson, Erin Martin, Marc Life, Andrew Ferris **Not Pictured:** Oun Platt, Josh Welter



First Row: Elisabeth Gillot, Matt Mize, Jonathan Jackson
Second Row: Elisabeth Cavanaugh, Joel Britson, Dan Carter
Third Row: Emilyn Larsen-Ferree, Elizabeth Beavers, Alexandra S. Rundle, Maria Misra
Fourth Row: Nick Kapke, Karina Jensen
Fifth Row: Rebekkah Nelson, Stacy Heideman, Anna Zimmerman

100th Green Butterfly

"On Mondays we recycled, and on Wednesdays we had our meetings. One of our most important events was when we went to Northridge and took trees out of the Prairie to preserve it."

~junior Elizabeth Cavanaugh~

Human Relations Committee

"Human Relations enables communication between the community and the youth, especially through Unity Day."

~junior Brynna Dieter~

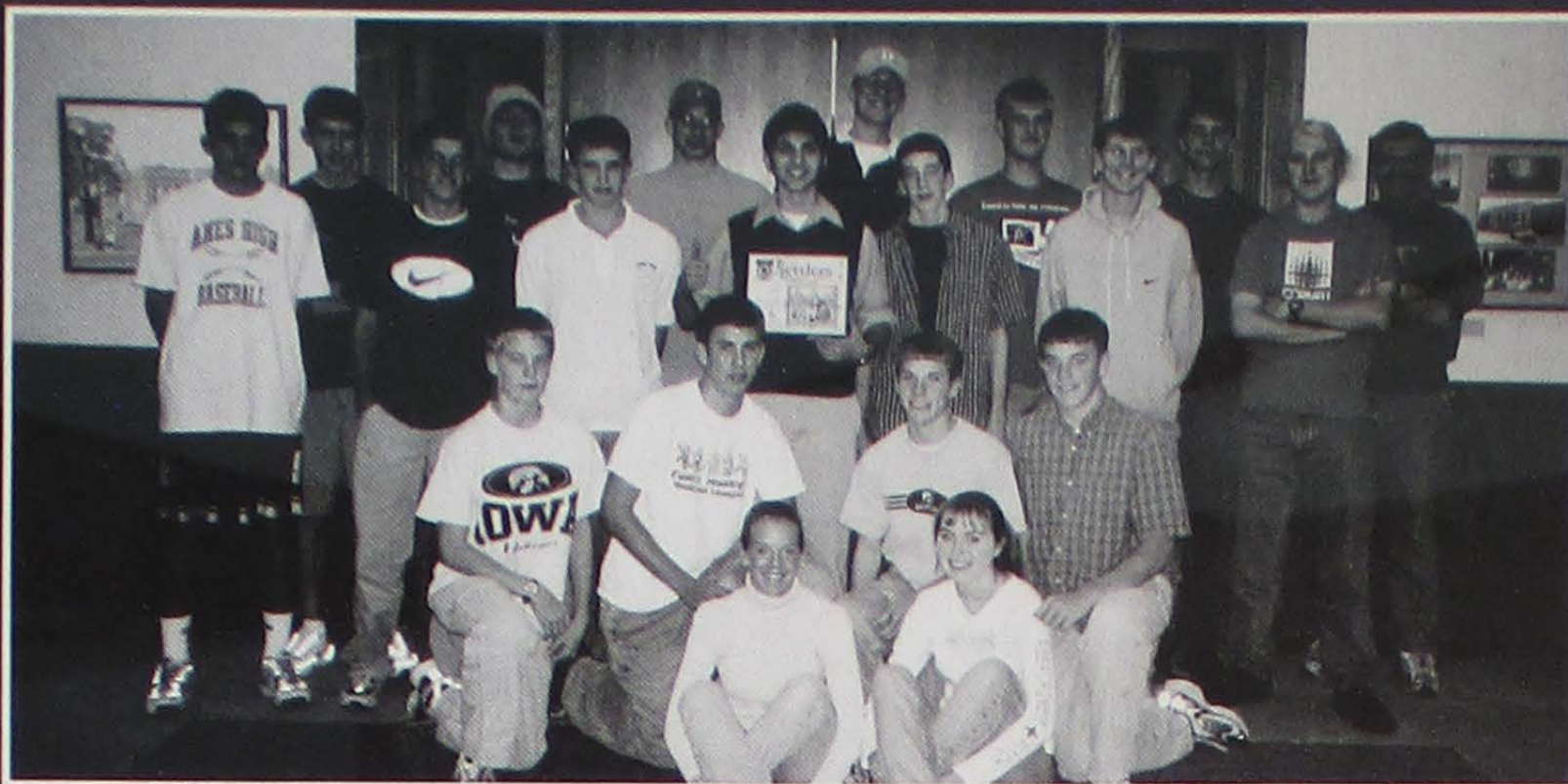


First Row: Neha Kothari, Susan Vleck, Alexandra S. Rundle, Melissa Heer **Second Row:** Lindsay VanFleet, Reggie Greenlaw, Andy Cowan, Jill Larson **Not Pictured:** Sarah Lasley, Bryna Greenlaw, Maria Misra, Stacy Heideman

Strategic Gaming Club

"I remember never ever losing a game to anyone no matter what the game was. It didn't matter. The games *Risk*, *Axis and Allies* and *Blood and Iron* were all too easy for me. I am the master of all strategic games."

~senior Jeff Calentine~



First Row: Jessie Swaim, Sarah Larson **Second Row:** Eric Nau, Chris Bystrom, Ian Smith, Evan Sengbusch **Third Row:** Jake Dunshee, Trevor Smith, Adam Shaull, Mert Akinc, Marc Shirbourn, Justus Hallam, Seth Zenz **Fourth Row:** Patrick McConnell, Mike O'Connell, Tristan Brown, Chip Wandling, Jacek Pruski, Dan Wandling, Mr. Larson



First Row: Leslie Koppenhaver, Sara Larson, Parisa Maghsoodi, Mikki Colbert, Liz Song, Kate Vann-Lorenz, Alex Saide, Beth Bastiaans, Pauithra Gopalan, Cathy Compton, Emily Smith, Lora Van Marel, Lavonne McRoberts **Second Row:** Coach Ringlee, Jessie Swaim, Anna Downing, Greg Hatt, Erin Schainker, Mary Kolner, Amy Ditzel, Sarah Beisser, Brea Peterson, Shilpa Reddy, Amanda Yeung, Daniel Krumm, Geoff Thompson **Third Row:** Michael Gano, Jon Russell, Peter Ringlee, Milan Dalal, Kejing Wang, Brandon Crase, Steve Anderson, Jill Larson, Jon Dobbs, Andy Cowan, Pete Evangelou, Adam Shyy, Latisha Myers, Gwen Atkinson **Fourth Row:** Dan Wandling, Daniel Jeong, Shawn Sebastian, Devon McClurken, Melissa Heer, Adlai Hurt, Michael Horton, Lin Ong, Mona Dalal, Alexandra S. Rundle, Sarah White, Katie Klotzbach, Katie Gidlewski, Peter Ng

Speech Club



All-State Speech Winners
Melissa Heer, Dexter Chan

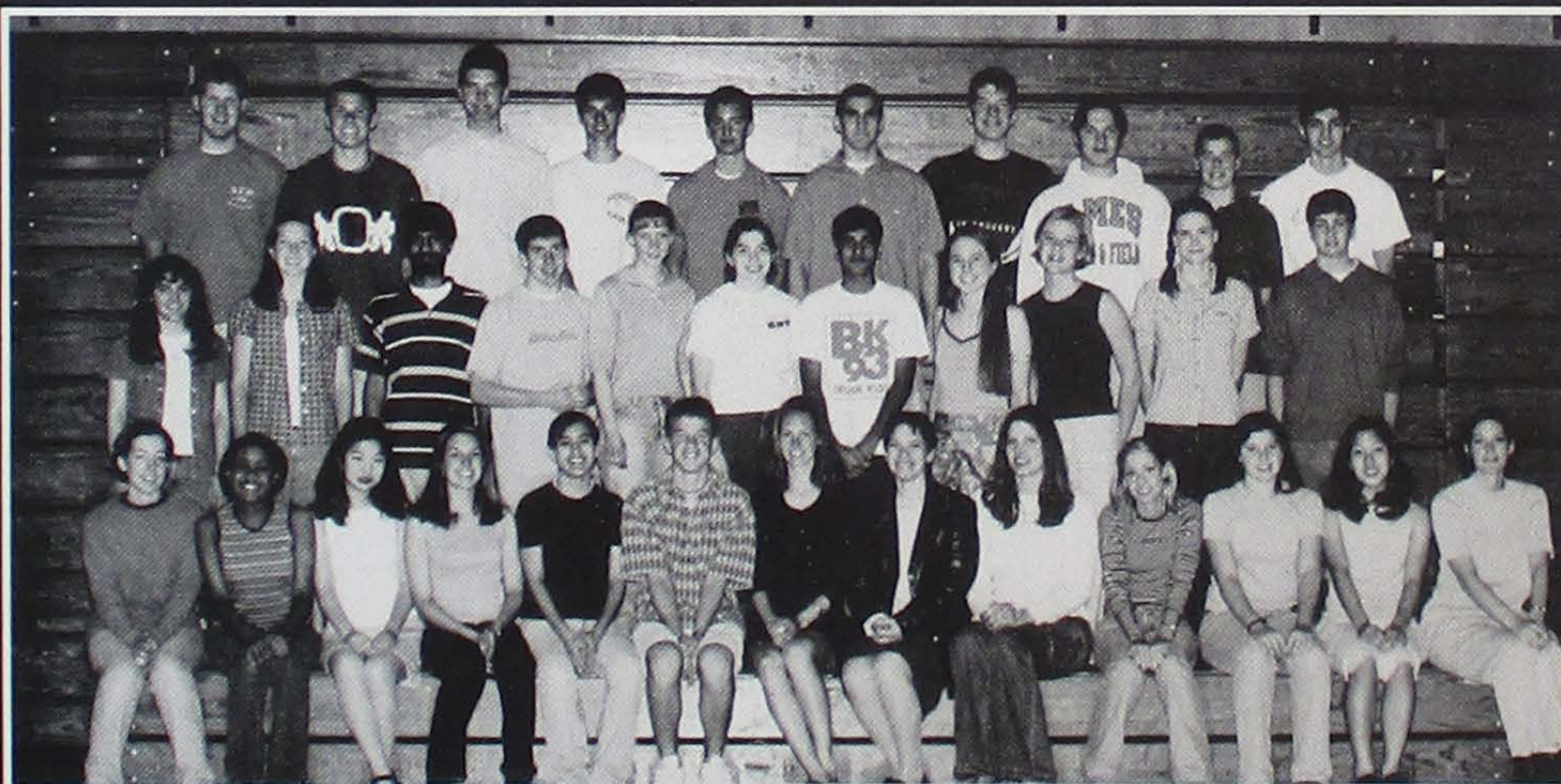
Student Council

"I enjoyed seeing Patrick Finn's vibrant smile every Wednesday morning."

~senior Jon Mowers~

Student Council was a way for me organize activities such as Welfare Week that would help out the community. Because I was on council I also got to co-host the Dilks vs. Daddow showdown, working through the snarles to make it happen."

~senior Alec Otteman~



First Row: Erin McCuskey, LaTisha Myers, Laura Ng, Jennifer Lowry, Jessica Pfeiffer, Patrick Finn, Jill Larson, Gina Russell, Sarah White, Sara Simons, Megan Cross, Liz Song **Second Row:** Emily Ertz, Sarah Beisser, Shawn Sebastian, Andrew Goedecken, Emily Smith, Linnea Woline, Nevin Sebastian, Heather Johnson, Erica Lynn, Emily Nau, Mitchell Ridnour **Third Row:** Brian Clark, Alec Otteman, Dan Wandling, Brandon Crase, Peter Acker, Kevin Schainker, Jon Russell, Adam Rowings, Mert Akinc

Ambassadors

"I am an ambassador because of the diveristy of the people I can meet. I can also help to make someone else more comfortable with their high school expereience."

~junior Carly Swanson~



First Row: Meridith Morgan, Julie Song, Ann Benson, Dorota Pruski, Anna Downing, Jessie Swaim **Second Row:** Jon Dobbs, Kevin Schainker, Joey Hayes, Gina Russell, Kate Downing, Lin Ong **Third Row:** Lindsay VanFleet, Katie Horton, Chip Wandling, Jon Mowers, Jon Russell, Jill Larson



First Row: Peter Ng, Brandon Crase, Ryan Jordan, Daniel Jeong, Brian Cheney, Greg Hatt **Second Row:** Peter Acker, Steve Anderson, Daniel Wandling, Micheal Gano, John Holscher

Investers Club

"Investment club was a fun way to learn about the stock market and make lots of money."

~junior Peter Acker~

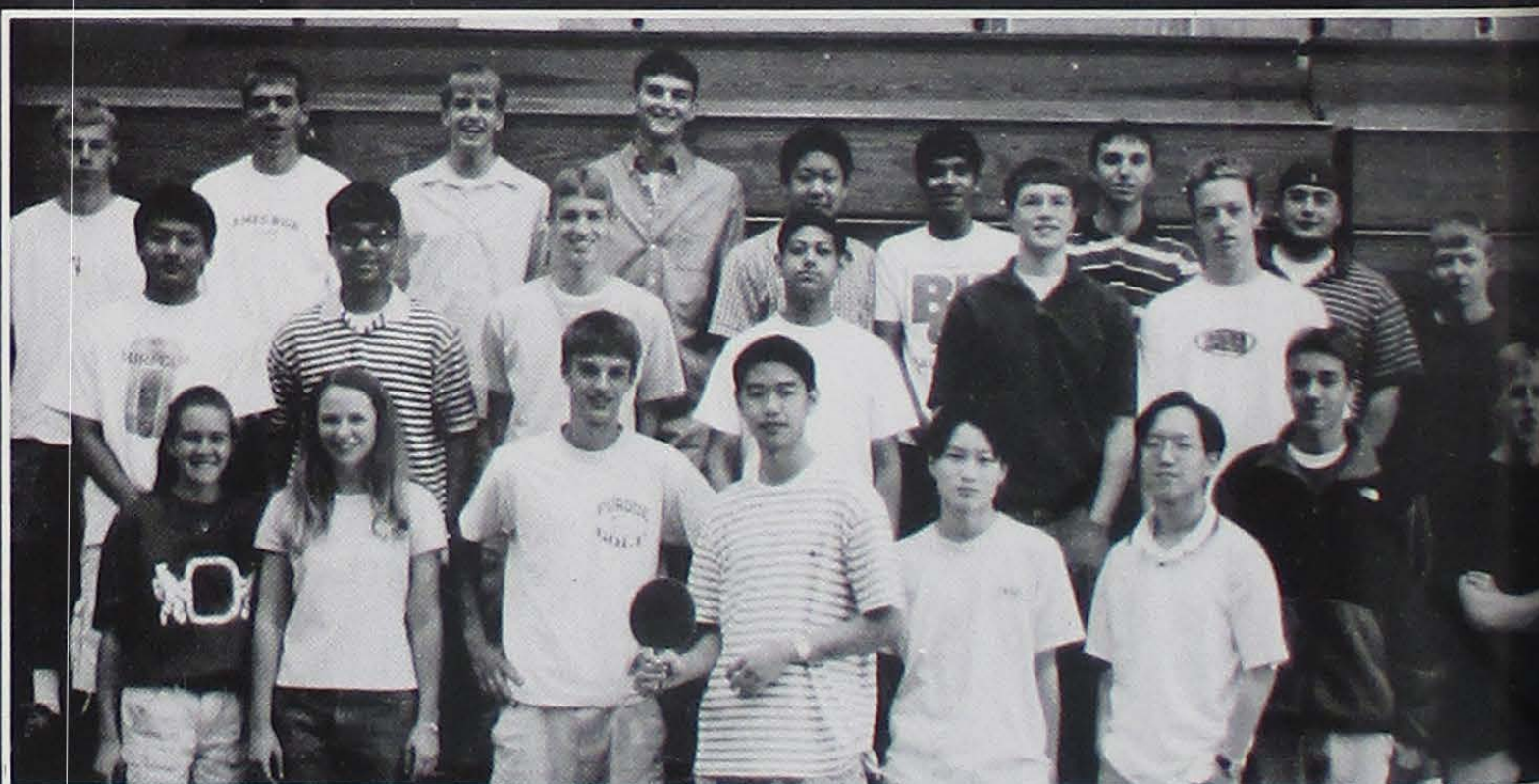
"I was apart of Investors Club because I wanted to get a head start in the investor's wolrd. The funniest part of the year was when we all laughed at Steve Anderson for buying WW stock after it plummeted."

~freshman Dan Wandling~

I-Pong

"The best parts about I-PONG were playing against Mr. Lofgren and trying to beat my previous score."

~junior Kejing Wang~



First Row: Julie Reger, Allison Buck, Brandon Crase, Kejing Wang, Joe Kim, Ben Bryden, Mark Polking **Second Row:** Joseph Hayes, Daniel Jeong, Brian Cheney, Milan Dalal, David Melby, Eric Carter **Third Row:** Peter Ringlee, Ryan Jordan, Michael Gano, John Holscher, Peter Ng, Nevin Sebastian, Drew Dieter, Matthew Hitchings, Jeff Croyle

Chess Club

"My friend Keijing Wang got me to come to Chess Club last year and I have come ever since. Chess is a great game because it makes you think and there is no limit to how much you can improve!"

~junior Philip Vega~



First Row: Coach Gotschall, Geoff Thompson, Jeff Croyle, Mattias Olshausen, Michael Kienzler
Second Row: Mark Sorenson, Daniel Chen, Nathan Ackerson, Peter Chimenti, Philip Vega, Elizabeth Cavanaugh, Rebekkah Nelson
Third Row: Scott Depilsto, Keijing Wang, Mark Polking, Aaron Thompson

First Row: Laura Ng, Matt Orazem, Nate Logsdon, Theresa Horton
Second Row: Dexter Chan, Will Shyy, Erika Bassler
Third Row: Nate Ackerson, Nitin Gadia, Tinha Mwanza, Geoff Thompson
Fourth Row: Keijing Wang, Peter Ng, Julius Maina, Martin Jankowiak
Fifth Row: Coach Bodenhamer, Coach Randall



Debate Club

"I think Laura Ng said it best when she described our team as being united and dedicated to accomplishing our purpose - to learn and have fun."

~Ms. Bodenhamer~

Mock Trial



State Attorneys

Keijing Wang, Meridith Morgan, Neha Kothari, Shawn Sebastian



First Row: Coach Jerdee, Shawn Sebastian, Wayne Shyy, Coach Sullivan
Second Row: Peter Ng, Meridith Morgan, Molly Martens, Becky Heller, Maria Misra, Lin Ong
Third Row: Keijing Wang, William Shyy, Lindsay Sacco, Neha Kothari, Mona Dalal, Trishia Larson, Shawna Simpson
Fourth Row: Martin Jankowiak, Melanie Olson, Adrienne Hunacek, Nikki Clark, Brea Peterson

Ski Club

"Erica and I are not good at skiing, so we decided that since Erica ran into a tree and a fence and I ran into a man we should stick to the bunny hills. We are now Colliding Bunny and Tumbling Bunny!"

~sophomore Dorota Pruski~



Jonathan Jackson, Dan Wandling, Dorota Pruski, Erica Lynn, Andrea Otteman, Brandon Cornelius



Hsin-Wei Chen, Neha Kothari, Milana Richardson, Seth Zenz, Coach Sermet, Kate Pickett, Katy Liu, Sali Mahgoub, Karli Christensen

Taekwondo

"Taekwondo is the only sport where you can break things and be congratulated for it."

~sophomore Kate Pickett~

"Taekwondo is all about self defense, drop-kicks, and beating up that annoying kid who sits next to you in English!"

~sophomore Hsin Chen~

DECA

"The most memorable time was at our conference when we threw a party in our hotel room and it got so packed with people you couldn't find the door."

~senior Meggan Munn~



First Row: Kelly Bartsch, Ashley VanAuken, Molly Bungert, Shelly Gleason **Second Row:** Michael Gano, John Holscher, Justin Brodie

Special Olympics

"The most fun part for me was watching participants make sand designs in bottles. It was encouraging to see people with all sorts of disabilities be so proud of making a decoration like that. It felt great to be part of something so inspiring. I was glad that I could motivate them at their races the way they had inspired me making their crafts."

~junior Andrea Steele~



First Row: Scott Olson, Elisa Dix, Jerry Baskett **Second Row:** Manager Stephanie Swan, Clint Messina **Third Row:** Brandon Harris, Coach Ziebold, Eric Malone, Lindsey Coady



First Row: Rachel Schoelkopf, Alyssa Sally, Emily Trevillyan, Katie Horton, Hilary Rowings, Betsy Beardorff, Jill Larson, Jamie Siefert, Ashley VanAuken, Sarah Tapper **Second Row:** Molly Bungert, Molly Huehe, Heather McEachran, Amy Sargent, Meghan Ritts, Kristin Brown, Katie Crawford, Sam Dorr, Stacey McConnell, Brandy Williams, Maya Anderson, Lindsay VanFleet, Andria Belle

Senior Girls Club

"I had just woken up to run and get my drivers license photo retaken and my hair was a mess. After I took my picture I hurried to go and help set up for Winter Formal. Once I arrived, all the other girls commented on how nice my hair looked all done up for the dance."

~senior Andria Belle~

Scratch Pad

It was hectic putting the book together. It was a nightmare at the time, but when I look back on it, I had a lot of fun. We spent a lot of time getting acquainted with the quirks of the computers in the journalism room and made about all the mistakes possible with Pagemaker. It was worth it because the finished product was absolutely fabulous."

senior Mimi Ho~



First Row: Emilyn Larsen-Ferree, Parisa Maghsoodpi, Abi Struck-Marcell, Katie Gidlewski, Jen Oftedal, Neha Kothari **Second Row:** Jon Dobbs, Jill Larson, Amy Ditzel, Mary Kolner, Susan Vleck, Anna Blaedel, Jonathan Melchert, Steven Diesburg **Third Row:** Elizabeth Cavanaugh, Geoff Roughton, Dan Carter, Evan Rothmayer, Mark Polking, Kelcey Larsen-Ferree, Kirk Daddow

SADD

"I think SADD had a very productive year. We helped people become more aware of the problem with drunk driving through Red Ribbon Week which was especially important. A lot of people outside of SADD got involved by signing our banner and hanging red ribbons on their cars to speak out against drunk driving."

~junior Kim Schuh~



First Row: Brad Barker, Laura McElvain, Blakely Rule, Marc Life **Second Row:** Kelly McMaken, Ann Fanous **Third Row:** Trishia Larson, Megan Lynch, Meredith Mull, Laura Obrycki **Fourth Row:** Heath Lowman, Sylvia Fanous, Angie Schroeder, Kim Schuh **Fifth Row:** Erin Belcher, Melissa Shill, Allison DiBlasi **Sixth Row:** Officer Bob Selby, Matt McDuff, Officer Dave Schultz



First Row: Geoff Thompson, Kejing Wang, Michael Gano, John Holscher, Brian Cheney, Daniel Jeong, Mitchell Ridnour, Steven Anderson, Ryan Jordan, David Melby **Second Row:** Coach Brockway

Disc Golf

"Once a week we all got together and played at the Disc Golf course near Gateway pool. Having James, the janitor, as our advisor and teammate was cool. He definitely knew what he was doing and we learned a lot from him. I play Disc Golf because I love frisbee and Disc Golf is all about frisbees."

~sophomore Geoff Thompson~

Thespians

"For my initiation—well, its supposed to be top secret. So, when asked, we say, 'It had something to do with goat's blood and cottage cheese.' Being initiated was scary and first but after it started it wasn't that bad. It's all anticipation. I hope Ben doesn't slaughter me for saying this."

~senior Carol Adams~



First Row: Brynna Dieter, Patricia Smith, Carol Adams, Ben Stark, Linnea Woline, Anna Blaedal, Laura Woline, Alexandra S. Rundle, Danny Rothschild **Second Row:** Sarah White, Elizabeth Talbert, Nathan Staniforth, Ben Woline, Jim VanFleet, Carly Swanson, Lin Ong, April Berg, Shawn Sebastian, Kate Downing **Third Row:** Andy Struck-Marcell, Seth Bacon, Amir Efrati, Elsbeth Hagge, Clarissa Spicer, Molly Schramm

Spectrum

"There are so many people afraid of homosexuality. Many people are very ignorant. At meetings we talk about how to deal with difficult situations. When we hear someone say, 'That's gay,' we want to know how to respond and address the person."

~freshman Emilyn Larsen-Ferree~



First Row: Douglas Choi, Kristen McKiernan, Amy Hiett, Bryna Greenlaw **Second Row:** Erin Peiffer, Sarah Lasley, Stacey Starret, Emilyn Larsen-Ferree, Ameila Koford **Third Row:** Nathan Kapke, Anna Jackson, Seth Bacon, Stacy Heideman, Alexandra S. Rundle, Roger Jacobson **Fourth Row:** Melanie Olson, Sarah Jiles, Anna Zimmerman, Kali Hayslett



First Row: Ben Parker, Anya Savikhin, Jon Knau, Maggie Larabee
Second Row: Colin Wheeler, Brian McClain, John Rearick, Erik Bright, Nick Meyer

Homepage Club

"Have you ever seen so many computer nerds in one room?"

~freshman Erik Bright~

"I learned how to make web sites all by myself and after I saw our school's web sites I wanted to join the club because I thought our sites could be done better."

~junior Colin Wheeler~

Light and Sound Crew

"At crew, we get together with friends and work together. Seeing the finished product is awesome and the pay doesn't really hurt anything either."

~junior Cal Osmundson~



Seth Bacon, Rachel Lange, Ben Woline, Jennifer Hendrickson, Emily Horn, Linnea Woline

Movie Club

"We watch movies not only for a sense of history and culture. Movie club is a big group of friends that feel comfortable with each other. For example, one time tons of us watched *The Exorcist*. It wasn't as scary when we all watched it together."

~sophomore Nikki Clark~



First Row: Nate Logsdon, Jon Dobbs, Jen Lowry **Second Row:** Piyush Patel, Nitin Gadia, Matt Gemmill, Casey Brown, Eric Palmberg, Adam Larson, Brandon Pei, Ben Erbes, Kyle Rippey



First Row: Elizabeth Cavanaugh, Julie Janssen, Sylvia Reed, Maria Misra, Rebekkah Nelson **Second Row:** Evan Rothmayer, Nathan Ackerson, Michael Kienzler, Jonathan Jackson, Nitin Gadia

Political Forum

"A quote by George Withers sums Political Forum up. The quote says, 'Thoughts too deep to be expressed and too strange to be suppressed.'"

~junior Sylvia Reed~

Amnesty International

"It's neat to think that you, and kids all over the world, are writing letters to make a difference."

~junior Megan Maher~

"I don't see how I couldn't be involved in Amnesty. It is a way to help people who are unfairly imprisoned that deserve freedom."

~senior Erin Peiffer~



First Row: Brian Cheney, Daniel Jeong, Michael Gano, Steve Anderson **Second Row:** Eknath Vittal, Maria Misra, Rebecca Nelson, Meridith Morgan, Nevin Sebastian **Third Row:** Shawn Sebastian, Ben Stark, Advisor Daddow, Alexandra S. Rundle, Chip Wandling, David Melby **Not Pictured:** Erin Peiffer, Liz Vogel, Maya Anderson, Andy Struck-Marcell, Elizabeth Cavanaugh, Stacy Heideman

WEB

"I have a new appreciation for all things boy, such as items like "dank yo", The Rock and Phish music.

~senior Gina Russell~

"It's just a ritalin-dispensing nap hall."

~Darin Johnson said during a WEB deadline night about the nurses of- fice~



First Row: Ben Wendel, Jacek Pruski **Second Row:** Bri Staff, Kelcey Larsen-Ferree, Lisa Corley, Mara Wendel, Chip Wandling, Gina Russell, Adrianna Grant **Third Row:** Aki Nakagawa, Megan Maher, Erica Lynn, Chris Norris,, Patrick Finn, Wayne Shyy, Mitchell Ridnour, Nevin Sebastian **Fourth Row:** Andy Cowan, Curt McGeeney, Shawn Sebastian, Mike Nassif, Josh Welter **Fifth Row:** Advisor Darin Johnson, Mark Poist, Matt McDuff, Ryan Jordan



SPIRIT

"Being one of the few guys in an all girl class I have learned exactly why our government needs more women as leaders. They are great leaders, hard workers and great to have around."

~senior Ben Stover~

First Row: Ben Stover, Melisse Owen, Jen Oftedal, Amanda Hopper **Second Row:** Jennifer Alexander, Amy Chung, Rita Carter, Lindsay Van Fleet, Lauren Ledet, Brian Tenney **Third Row:** Caitlin Clark, Julie Brindle, Ann Benson, Julie Song, Abby Lundstrom, Esther Kindred, Eknath Vittal, Tonja Brooks **Not pictured:** Melissa Heer, Mike Freiberg, Susie Goldman, Sam Dorr, Beth Peterson, Amanda Burke

YARC

"Being apart of YARC was a wonderful experience. I learned so much about other people and was able to gain a better understanding of people with special needs. The kids I worked with amazed me. They were so wonderful, worked so hard and were so smart."

~senior Joy Brinkmeyer~



First Row: Lauren Alexander, Amy Koch, Megan Greulich, Emily Ertz, Angie Bennett **Second Row:** Elisa Dix, Stephanie Swanson, Joy Brinkmeyer, Brit Messina, Jerry Baskett **Third Row:** Molly Hardy, Lindsey Coady, Clint Messina, Eric Malone, Diana O'Riley, Timothy Devine



Freshmen Band

First Row: Ben Nerdig, Amelia Koford, Leslie Koppenhaver, Elisa Meyer, Emma Carmine-Irwin, Julie Oesper, Liz Song, Megan Greving, Laura Beeman **Second Row:** Amber Atwood, Julie McElroy, Katie Klotzbach, Jessica Stevenson, Emily Smith, Trishia Larson, Emily Horn, Keely Secrist, Lavonne McRoberts, Karen Ewalt, Sarah Maahs, Amy Noxon **Third Row:** Lora Van Marel, Shawna Simpson, Laura Parkin, Jen Ohman, Rachel Taege, Heather Stairs, Whitney Wickham, Gavin White, Scott Matzke, Cason Clark, Erik Bright, Adam Rowings, Ken Iikura-Gross, Chad Shonkwiler, Adam Hundertmark, Ted Brimeyer, Jon Knau, Katie Gidlewski, Seth Jacobson-Swanson, Andrea Miller **Fourth Row:** Bill Cleary, Chirstine Westgate, Scott Townsend, Chris Timmons, Michael Eggert, Katherine Beavers, Emily Blaedel, Ben Cheney, Maggie Larabee, Will Mekemson, Rose Sibbel, Crystal Pilcher, Jay Quigly, Elisa Link, Melissa Wunder, Beth Parker, Michael Christy, Bradley Gilbert, Heather Johnson **Fifth Row:** Jenny Dobson, Mike Jones, Lindy Elliot, Jon Agesen, Mark Norris, Jon Allen, Brad Nordmeyer, Andrea Otteman, Nate Barker, Andrew Metz



Marching Band

First Row: J. Sheldon, E. Nadler, J. Anderson, R. Lange, M. Johnson, M. Anderson, A. Schroeder, K. Ewalt **Second Row:** J. Dobson, C. Compton, A. Cochren, S. Simpson, A. Koford, W. Wickham, A. Vleck, L. Parkin, J. Ohman, L. Van Marel, H. Stairs, R. Haydon, A. Atwood, C. Dickson, D. Haug, S. McConnell, J. Oftedal, C. Roberts, E. Carmine-Irwin, M. Hexum, B. Beckman, T. Larson, J. Kang, K. Secrist, E. Horn, L. Koppenhaver, J. Knau, K. Gidlewski **Third Row:** A. Metz, S. Townsend, C. Westgate, E. Smith, J. Stevenson, M. Riedesel, A. Cowan, P. Balvanz, B. Cheney, K. Nichols, C. Osmundson, C. Lueth, M. Helland, C. Adams, L. Vogel, J. Reget, J. Van Fleet, J. Sargent, J. Ohman, A. Otteman, M. Larwick, N. Staniforth, J. Van Brocklin, E. Talbert, S. Maahs, J. Bailey, L. Song, J. Oesper **Fourth Row:** M. Larabee, J. Agesen, B. Nerdig, R. Taege, J. McElroy, K. Hayslett, B. Dieter, K. Jensen, K. Boysen, E. Beavers, R. Hall, G. Montgomery, M. Parker, C. Kracher, C. Ewan, H. Gartz, N. Meyer, K. Johnson, B. Prater, B. Peterson, K. McMaken, M. Morgan, K. Shonkwiler, E. Fauquet, A. Platt, A. Noxon, L. Beeman, L. Roberts, M. Greving, K. Klotzbach **Fifth Row:** M. Norris, B. Nordmeyer, A. Otteman, M. Jones, E. Arkovich, H. Rowings, C. Fitch, M. Greulich, M. Mikesch, K. Larson, M. Wayne, S. McDuff, T. Baker, J. Slocum, A. McElherne, K. Kopecky, A. Ventling, N. Golchin, M. Clyde, T. Tyler, S. Moore, S. Fauquet, J. Yates, K. Schuh, J. Brinkmeyer, L. Woline, L. Woline, A. Rowings, K. Iikura-Gross, T. Brimeyer **Sixth Row:** B. Cheney, K. Beavers, E. Blaedel, K. Peterson, S. Pfeiffer, A. Mahan, E. Walker, J. Brace, A. Woodward, B. Ziegenbusch, G. Matson, M. Mathison, D. Rothschild, B. Anderson, M. Gemmill, R. Marquardt, J. Gustafson, A. Brannan, A. Faeth, E. Gillott, R. Matzke, J. Hamilton, A. Seiler, D. Chan, S. Jacobson-Swanson, G. White, A. Hundertmark, B. Rude **Seventh Row:** L. Ellett, J. Allen, W. Mekemson, M. Eggert, A. Larson, B. Janke, A. Webb, K. McCallum, E. Hennager, N. Logsdon, K. Pickett, N. Lueth, B. Bryden, M. Kelso, T. Devine, A. Thompson, B. Clark, D. Mikesch, R. Nelson, L. Carlyle, A. Shelley, K. Brannan, J. Saxton, C. Wheeler, L. Ong, R. Marek, A. Miller, S. Matzke, C. Shonkwiler **Eighth Row:** C. Timmons, H. Johnson, C. Pilcher, M. Ganzer, S. Kuhn, C. Raich, S. Honn, N. Braymen, T. Sellers, J. Koehler, S. Diesburg, A. Blaedel, K. Niehof, N. Welter, P. Chidister, N. Briseno, J. Melchert, I. Bruner, P. Chimenti, J. Herriges, D. Tice, D. Poorman, J. Rule, J. Couture, G. Garcia, A. Ferris, M. Darbyshire, J. Quigly, E. Bright **Ninth Row:** B. Gilbert, C. Clark, M. Christy, A. Parker, D. McClurken, J. Strasburg, D. Jeong, M. McDuff, B. Neumann, N. Chrusciel, C. Miller, J. Taege, A. Jordan, D. Martin, N. Redmond, L. Coffman, K. Sampson, I. Chidister, E. Schmidt, M. Shill, B. Greenlaw, A. Woodin, A. Buck, S. Long, J. Peiffer, A. Savage, R. Sibbel, B. Parker, M. Wunder, B. Rule, A. Link **Tenth Row:** B. Heller, M. Crawford, B. Stover, L. Miller, K. Wass, J. C. Morris, T. Peters, M. Mize, B. Woline, C. Krebs, L. Van Fleet, B. Cleary, M. Russell, N. Kapke, J. Dobbs



Symphonic 2000

Symphonic Band

First Row: Kristina Boysen, Julie Song, Dan Haug, Dekal Luban, Liz Vogel, Christine Kracher, Chelsea Fitch, Jacqui Scanes, Megan Berning, Mimi Ho, Kenny Kopecky. **Second Row:** Brittany Prater, Emily Fauquet, Elizabeth Beavers, Sarah Miller, Anna Blaedel, Matt Gemmill, Brian Anderson, Margie Mathison, Hilary Rowings, Lindsay Van Fleet, Robyn Matzke, Tommy Baker, Tracy Tyler, Kim Schuh, Mattea Wayne. **Third Row:** Carol Adams, Kira Shonkwiler, Gretchen Montgomery, Meridith Morgan, Jordan Strasburg, Karina Jensen, Aaron Rosheim, Derek Watson, Nate Braymen, Kristin Niehof, Jonathan Melchert, John Koehler, Megan Darbyshire, Danny Jones, Peter Chidister, Peter Chimenti, Jessa Brace, Dexter Chan, Nick Meyer, Jill Hamilton, Stacey McConnell, Jen Oftedal. **Fourth Row:** Christa Miller, Daniel Jeong, Jen Taege, Emily Johnston, Nick Redmond, Kyle Sampson, Matt McDuff, Allison Buck, Ben Stover, Chris Krebs, Matt Mize, Adam Faeth, Ben Woline, Nathan Lueth, Rebekkah Nelson, Aaron Thompson, Steve Diesburg, Brian Clark, Laura Carlyle, Anne Shelley. **Fifth Row:** Homer Gartz, Dan Krumm, Brian Cheney, Chris Lueth, L. Lin Ong, Elizabeth Talbert, Jeff Ohman, Mark Larwick.



Concert 2000

Concert Band

First Row: Sara Pfeiffer, Brea Peterson, Andrea Woodward, A Platt, Jennifer Yates, Karna Larson, Nima Golchin, Sarah McDuff, Megan Greulich, Julia Slocum, Sarah Fauquet, Laura Miller. **Second Row:** Kaija Peterson, Kelly McMaken, Aaron McElherne, Laura Woline, Christine Dickson, Becky Heller, Melissa Mikesh, Ryan Marquardt, Abby Brannan, Gretchen Matson, Melanie Torrie, Janice Gustafson, Teri Hawley, McKinsie Clyde, Stephanie Moore, Elisabeth Gillott, Kelley Kunz, Elisa Arkovich. **Third Row:** Allison Mahan, Joy Brinkmeyer, Linnea Woline, Ankita Amin, Erin Walker, Rachel Hall, Matt Parker, Erin Belcher, Melissa Shill, Julie Reger, Logan Cook, Derek Martin, Bobby Neumann, Annon Woodin, Jessica Pfeiffer, Kristi Wass, Amanda Parker, Sarah Long, David Barwig, Ian Chidister. **Fourth Row:** Caitly Raich, Shelley Honn, Joe Herriges, Tom Sellers, Nate Logsdon, Ian Bruner, Gene Garcia, Drew Tice, Jay Honeyman, Nick Welter, Sarah Kuhn, Andrew Ferris, Justin Rule, Josh Couture, Nic Briseno, Dara Poorman, Eric Schmidt, Erik Johnson, Bryna Greenlaw, Andy Jordan, Danny Rothschild, Betsy Ziegenbusch, Ben Bryden, Tim Devine, Dan Mikesh, Mike Kelso, Nathan Kapke. **Fifth Row:** Toby Peters, Mandi Crawford, Jon Dobbs, JC Morris, Chris Parrish. **Sixth Row:** Melissa Riedesel, Rachel Marek, Kali Hayslett, Andy Cowan, Colin Wheeler, Phil Balvanz, Jon Saxton, Alec Otteman, Adam Webb, Andy Seiler, Jon Sargent, Jim Van Fleet, Nate Staniforth, Brynna Dieter, Matt Helland, Josh Van Brocklin, Brian Janke, Adam Larson, Homer Gartz, Chris Ewan.



Freshman Choir

First row: Katie Cottrill, Sara Lapan, Emmeline Hallam, Amy Noxon, Molly Martens, Anna Faeth. **Second row:** Sarah Maahs, Elizabeth Zimmerman, Jeri Bailey, Valerie Gleason, Katie Brown, Nikia Cambell, Eva Stevens, Laura Beeman, Emily Smith, Katie Wilkins, Jenny Dobson, Emily Ertz. **Third row:** Christjahn Beck, Adam Rowings, Nick Persaud, Keely Secrist, Linor Vaknin, Liz Song, Amy Brinkheide, Michelle Anderson, Emmeline Larson-Ferree, Jesse Stevenson, Abi Struck-Marcell. **Fourth row:** Sarah Manatt, Danielle Knutson, Angie Linduska, Cathy Compton, Shannon Thomas, Kate Vann-Lorenz, Ted Brimeyer, Heather Johnson, Sophie Chartier, Justin McGeeney, Ben Comstock, Jamie Craig. **Fifth row:** Ryan Taylor, Matt Spenser, Alan Todd, Trevor Brown, Scott Johnson, Matt Johnson, Robin Kohler, Blakely Rule, Andrea Miller, Holly Randall, Ben Cheney, Peter Ng.



First row: Pavithra Rajagopalan, Clarissa Spicer, Molly Schram, Lori Moorman, Kelly Packer, Jessica Pfeiffer, Laura Ritland, Christina Johnson, Christina Madole, Kali Hayslett, Amy Pitzel, Piyush Patel, Sara Clayton, Karen Ladjahasan, Jessica Faidley, Diana O'Riley. **Second row:** Clint Messina, Melinda Brandt, Hope Okere, Meegan Hand, Katie Adam, Jennifer Alexander, Heidi Dobberke, Kate Kullen, Dawn Wright, Mandi Crawford, Aubrey Brunia, Rose McPhail, Carrie Newton, Katarina Matasovicova, Shanna Mercer, Hannah Polashek. **Third row:** Kyle Rippey, Nate Ward, Steve Diesburg, Erica Peterson, Sarah Long, Shannon Buzzell, Rachel Jones, Caitlin Clark, Becky Taylor, Amanda Marquardt, Theresa Horton, Rachelle Ruggle, Andrea Woodward, Annon Woodin, Sandy Chang. **Fourth row:** John Myers, Michael Ciccotti, Sam Ruppert, Mike Shi, Brandon Harris, Melanie Olson, Nikki Clark, Geoffrey Asklof, Chris Craig, Brendon Persaud, Nandita Agarwal, Stephanie Smelser, Sarah Smart, Abby Sutherland.

Concert Choir



Concert Chorus

First Row: Robyn Matzke, Karna Larson, Katy Liu, Amy Hronek, Melissa Heer, Julie Reger, Jamie Siefert, Karleen Weitzel, Mona Dalal, Juanita Lutz, Katie Brannan, Abby Brannan, Linnea Woline, Laura Woline, Jessi Sheldon, Maria Mallarino **Second Row:** Margie Mathison, Anna Duple, Annalies van der Valk, Lindsay Burhenn, Stephanie Schmaltz, Katie Crawford, Lindsay Kiliper, Jenny Tuttle, Meridith Morgan, Liz Vogel, Jacqui Scanes, Kara Johnson, Kirk Youngberg, Anne Shelley, Adam Webb, Brekk Feeley **Third Row:** Chaudry Farhan, Aki Nakagawa, Chris Krebs, Les Schweikert, Nate Booth, Walter Dowling, Christa Miller, Christine Kracher, Logan Cook, Sarah Myers, Megan Thomas, Elizabeth Cavanaugh, Mary Kolner, Ellyn Moore, Sarah Beisser, Brea Peterson **Fourth Row:** Chris Parrish, Tristan Brown, Brandon Crase, David Melby, Ryan Lott, Matt Gemmill, Josh Welter, Derek Martin, Lane Jahn, Evan Rothmayer, Ryan Lott, Ben Woline, Lindsay Pohlman, Kristin Niehof, David Hughdahl



Orchestra

First Row: Claudia Dial, Gretchen Theesfield, Ursula Dial, Greg Elliot, Dipayan Mitra, Geoff Roughton, Sarah Beisser, Doug Choi **Second Row:** Dekel Luban, Kristine Koehler, Claire Morris, Adam DeMarie, Dan Haug, Liz Vogel, Jacqui Scanes, Mimi Ho, Kenny Kopecky, Linnea Woline, Emma Mallarino, Catherine Wilson, Oriana Kauffman, Charles Theesfield, Jennifer Lowry **Third Row:** Neha Kothari, Sarah Miller, Jessica Bents, Emily Smith, Kristi Wass, Stacey Arkovich, Micah Juelfs, Peter Ringlee, Julie Song, Kristina Boysen, Jen Oftedal, Stacey McConnell, Emma Carnine-Irwin, Kristin Emery, Joe Kim, Sylvia Reed, Nitin Gadia, William Shyy, Jessica Gaikly, Kate Vann Lorenz, Melissa Riedesal, Jessica Lee **Fourth Row:** Jeff Croyle, John Kim, Wayne Shyy, Kejing Wang, Walter Dowling, Katie McKiernan, Madeleine Russell, Will Pett, Mara Wendel, Roya Maghsoodi, Dan Jones, Peter Chidister, Peter Chimenti, Brian Anderson, Anna Blaedel, Margie Mathison, Matt Gemmill, Bridget Segedi, Melanie Torrie, Mindy Ganzer, Amber Segedi, Ken Ikura-Gross, Laura Lutz, Jeff Zang, Emmeline Hallam, Geoff Thompson, Katie Cottrill, Beth Bastiaans, Pavithra Rajagopalan, Kelly Collings, Sherry Cheuk, Andy Struck-Marcell, James Russell, Jessi Stevenson **Fifth Row:** Hahnbidt Rhee, Erin Peiffer, Kara Johnson, Elizabeth Cavanaugh **Sixth Row:** Neal McAndrews, Chris Norris, Scott Townsend, Noella Niati, Stephanie Wells-Gray, Emily Hennager, Gretchen Matson, Kristen McKiernan, Matt Mize, Brian Clark, Laura Carlyle, L. Lin Ong, Brian Cheney, Jeff Ohman, Shilpa Reddy, Rachel Jones, Hannah Polashek, Mary Kolner



First Row: Steph Carroll, Katie Naeve, Kim Rodgers, Jenny Tuttle, Betsy Deardorff, Beth Peterson, Sarah Tapper, Jamie Voss, Carly Mortensen **Second Row:** Coach Kepley, Coach Gorman, Taylor Anderson, Amy Koch, Abby VanMaaren, Annie Legg, Molly McNertney, Stephanie Schmaltz, Megan Sweeney, Coach Jurgensen

Varsity Softball

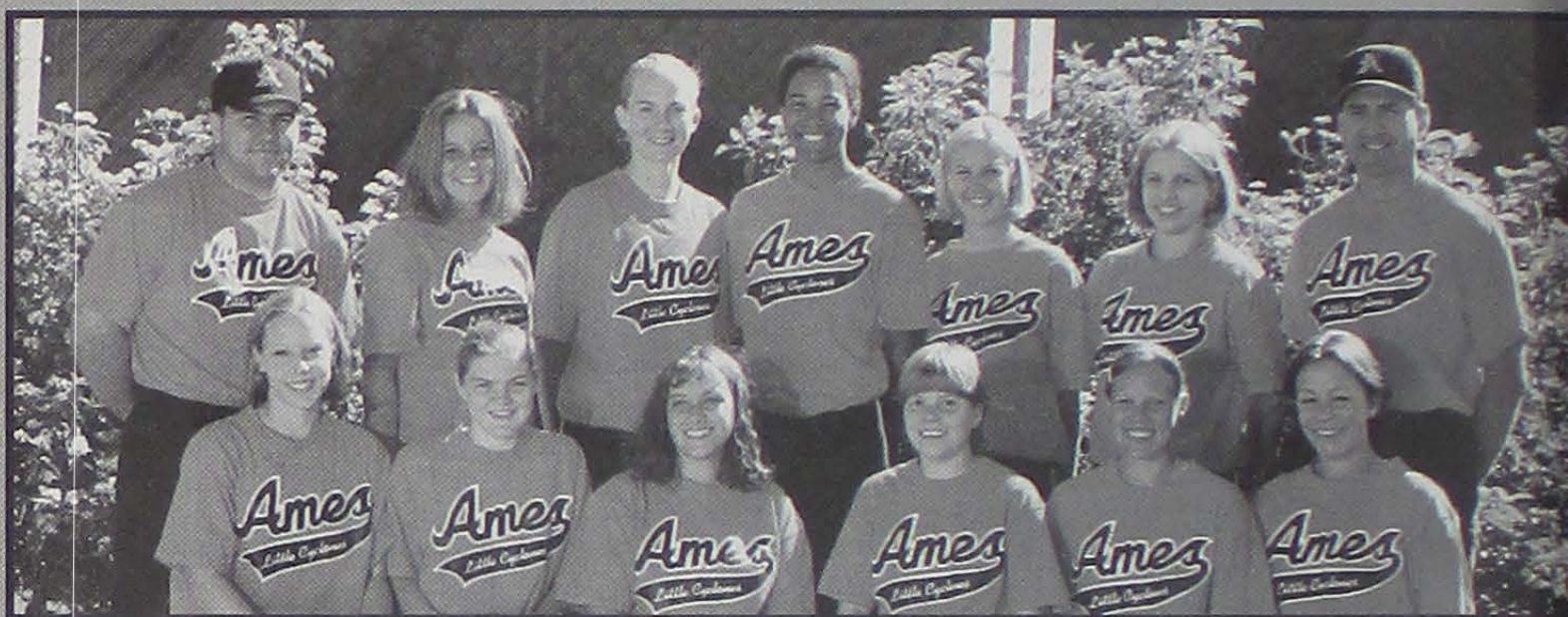
"I think the funniest memory we have is after I had just scored and Ann Legg became really excited and picked me up and threw me over her shoulder. I was caught completely off guard. A ritual we had before every game was to play "flip" in order to pump ourselves up. It really helped get us mentally prepared and focused for the challenge that laid ahead."

~junior Kim Rodgers~

JV Softball

"After we played, we would sneak out to go get food before, during, and after the Varsity game. Even though we were supposed to stay and watch the game, we would go out and have a three course meal."

~junior Shelby Junkman~



First Row: Katie Naeve, Lindsay Erickson, Lynse Schmidt, Shelby Junkman, Carly Mortensen, Jenny Tuttle **Second Row:** Coach Kepley, Nicole Brownfield, Megan Morrow, Erin Martin, Andrea Steele, Rachel Tapper, Coach Jurgensen



First Row: Nikia Campbell, Chelsey Schmidt, Megan Brownfield, Lindsey Olson, Jessie Swaim, Jenna Blum, Samantha Malone, Molly Martens **Second Row:** Rachel Wakefield, Hally Mohamed, Jenny Dobson, Mikki Colbert, Jessie Stevenson **Third Row:** Coach Kain, Amy Rodgers, Alisa Link, Julie McElroy, Rachel Taege, Holly Randall, Coach Clinton

"Our most memorable game was the one against Dowling in the championship. We weren't sure if we would be able to pull off a win, but after trailing in the first inning, we were able to come back and win the game. The win against Dowling upped our confidence in ourselves and helped us throughout the tournament."

Freshmen Softball

~freshman Molly Martens~



First Row: Krystal Myers, Carrie Samson, Jessie Rutherford, Amy Logston, Diane Borcharding, Sara Clayton, Erin Weiderholt **Second Row:** Coach Snezeik, Annon Woodin, Laura Ritland, Megan Hunziker, Val Matters, Katie Nelson, Andrea Crouse, Mindy Hamilton, Laura Miller **Not Pictured:** Melissa Mikesch, Melissa Owen, Sara Simons

"The funniest thing that happened during the season was when Laura Ritland and Laura Miller were playing catch before a game and Miller stopped paying attention to what she was doing and got hit in the face with a softball. She ended up with a broken nose."

Sophomore Softball

~sophomore Amy Logston~



First Row: Jay Honeyman, Jason Clark, Ahad Mujeeb, Grant Wilson, Kyle Berg, Joe Herriges **Second Row:** Matt Stark, Daniel Habhab, AJ Accola, BJ Wagner, Matt Drennan **Third Row:** Chris Lueth, Bryan Shelton, Coach Reubal, Coach Monroe, Tony Quartaro, Casey Winkleblack **Fourth Row:** Erik Helling, Chris Terry, Sam Ruppert, Josh Purcell, Joe Rippke, Tom Gallagher, Grant Mohlke

Freshmen Baseball

"The year was exciting because baseball has always been such a big part of my life. Being on the team was a large commitment, but playing in the games was always a really great feeling because we'd been working so hard for our success."

~sophomore Sam Rupert~



First Row: Ben Gunning, Jamie Smith, Matt Murphy, Billy Warren, Dan Jones, Jake Hammans **Second Row:** Greg Payne, Adam Brown, Ben Swenson, Travis Knapp, Brad Harris, Elliott Dowling **Third Row:** Luke Stigler, Jamie Colbert, Jordan Whalen, Coach Johnston, Derek Watson, Graham Van Horn, Michael Miller

Sophomore Baseball

"I remember thinking to myself which flavor of sunflower seeds I would chew on next: salsa or barbeque. But my favorite memory was singing Brittany Spears and N'SYNC on the bus rides home."

~junior Dan Jones~



First Row: Mike Doran, Mike Drennan, Garrett Burrier, Matt Murphy, Kyle Schilling, Tony Albaugh, Stu Honn **Second Row:** Ross Miller, Brock Swenson, Aaron Greiving, Justin Hamilton, Brandon Neff, Trey Burge **Third Row:** Ryan Paul, Coach Lawler, Coach Posgate, Coach Stevens, Rommy Mohamed **Fourth Row:** Andy Kohler, Nate Hill, Seth Shepherd, Brad Lawler, Jared Hill, Sam Kruger, Blake Shepherd

Varsity Baseball

"My best memory of our baseball season was when we beat Marshalltown in the second round of regionals. They were ranked second in state and so it felt great to beat them to move on towards state. As a catcher, the thing that was funniest to me was that I could never throw the ball all the way back to the pitcher."

~senior Sam Krueger~

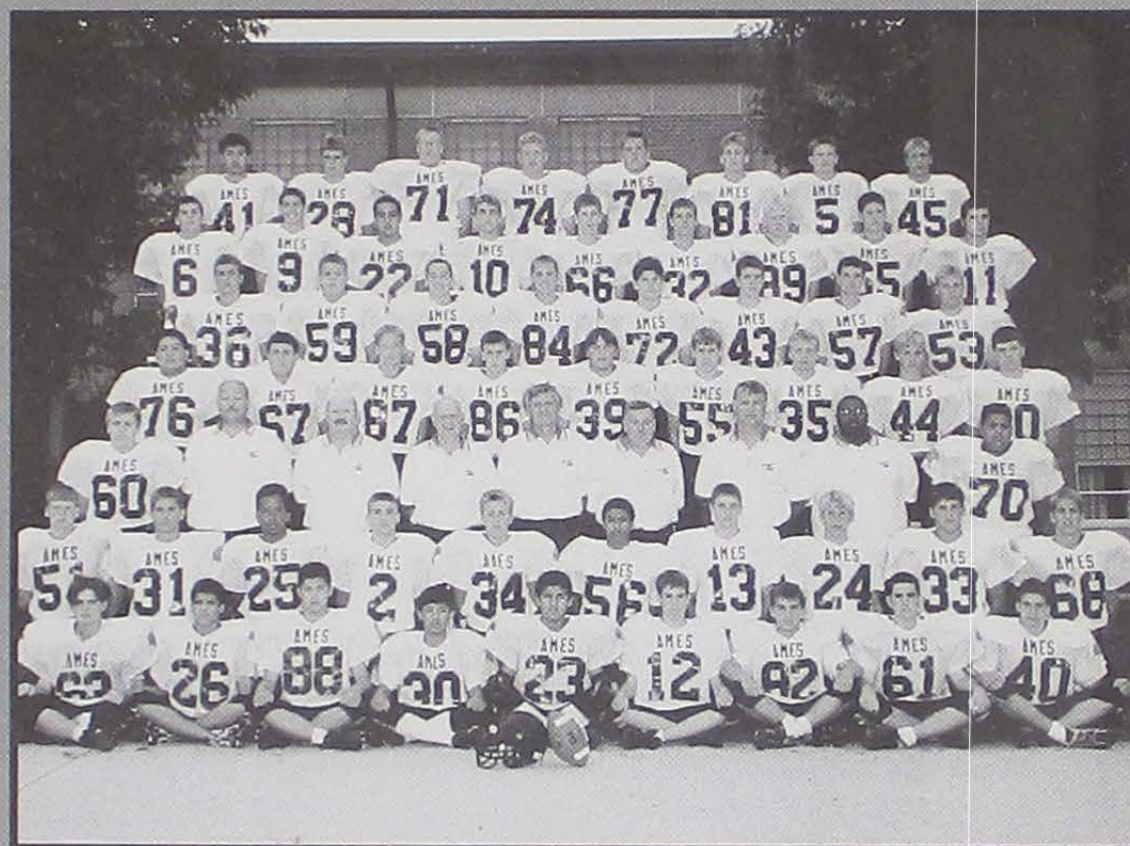


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Varsity Football

"Football was great because of all the people like me who sucked and stood on the side lines with me. It was sad not to go to the dome our senior year and play for the championship because it would have been a life-long memory."

~senior Doug Houghton~

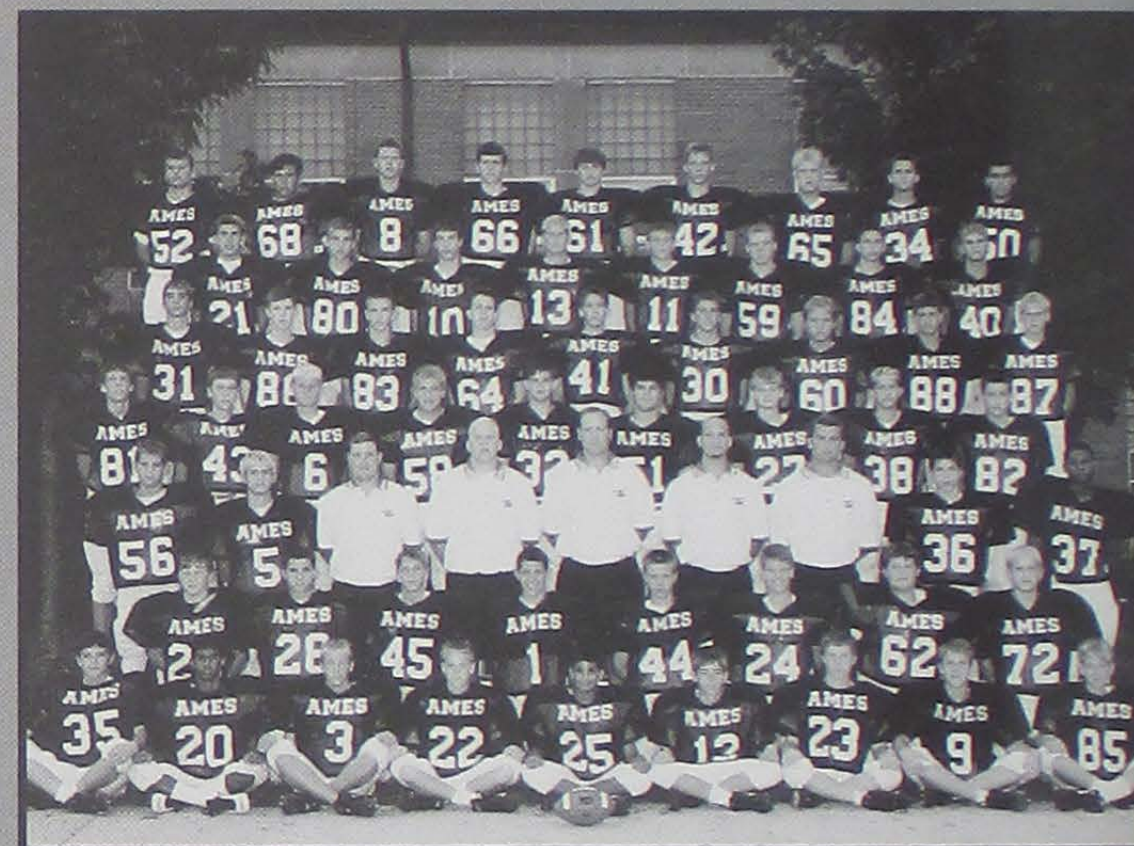


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Sophomore Football

"Watching from the sidelines, I was very excited when we barely beat Newton at the goal line stand."

~sophomore John Koehler~



First Row: Jay Quigley, Ben Comstock, Justin McGeeney, Eric Nau, Nick Persaud, Seth Jacobson-Swanson, Mike Jones, Ian Smith, Tim Lien **Second Row:** Alex Alechine, Tim Stover, Matthew Weber, Dimitri Syrkyn-Nikolau, Josh Marker, Joshua Robinson, Matthew Harris, Mike Malone **Third Row:** Matthew Konopa, Michael Coffman, Coach Bappe, Coach Breytoyle, Coach Bruemmer, Coach Headrick, Coach Bachuber, Erik Tesdall, Curtis Belle **Fourth Row:** Joseph Jonas, Scott Johnson, Matt Schuldies, Michael Christy, Eli Musselman, James Russell, Luke Houghton, Cole McLaughlin, Jared Sorenson **Fifth Row:** Michael Eggert, Alan Todd, Tom Drake, Brian McClain, Jacob Wagner, Trevor Smith, Matthew Myers, Tyler Strodman, Brent Trevillyan **Sixth Row:** Chris Bystrom, Adam Thompson, Greg Beming, John Sokoll, Evan Sengbusch, David Fricke, Matthew Rickert, Brian Foster **Seventh Row:** Brian Banker, Brandon Rude, Tyler Wilson, Nick Bessman, Ryan Taylor, Alex Danielson, Tom Kilper, Cole Toresdahl, Bryan Schainker **Not Pictured:** Ben Cheney, Wesley Dunlap, Sean Farrar, Will Mekemson, Andrew Nelson, Coach Eller, and Coach Wempen

Freshman Football

"Football was almost as fun as track becuae I got freshman of the year!"

~freshman Bryan Schainker~

Boys Cross Country

"I liked cross country because you never knew what Justus Hallam was going to have on his socks on meet days."

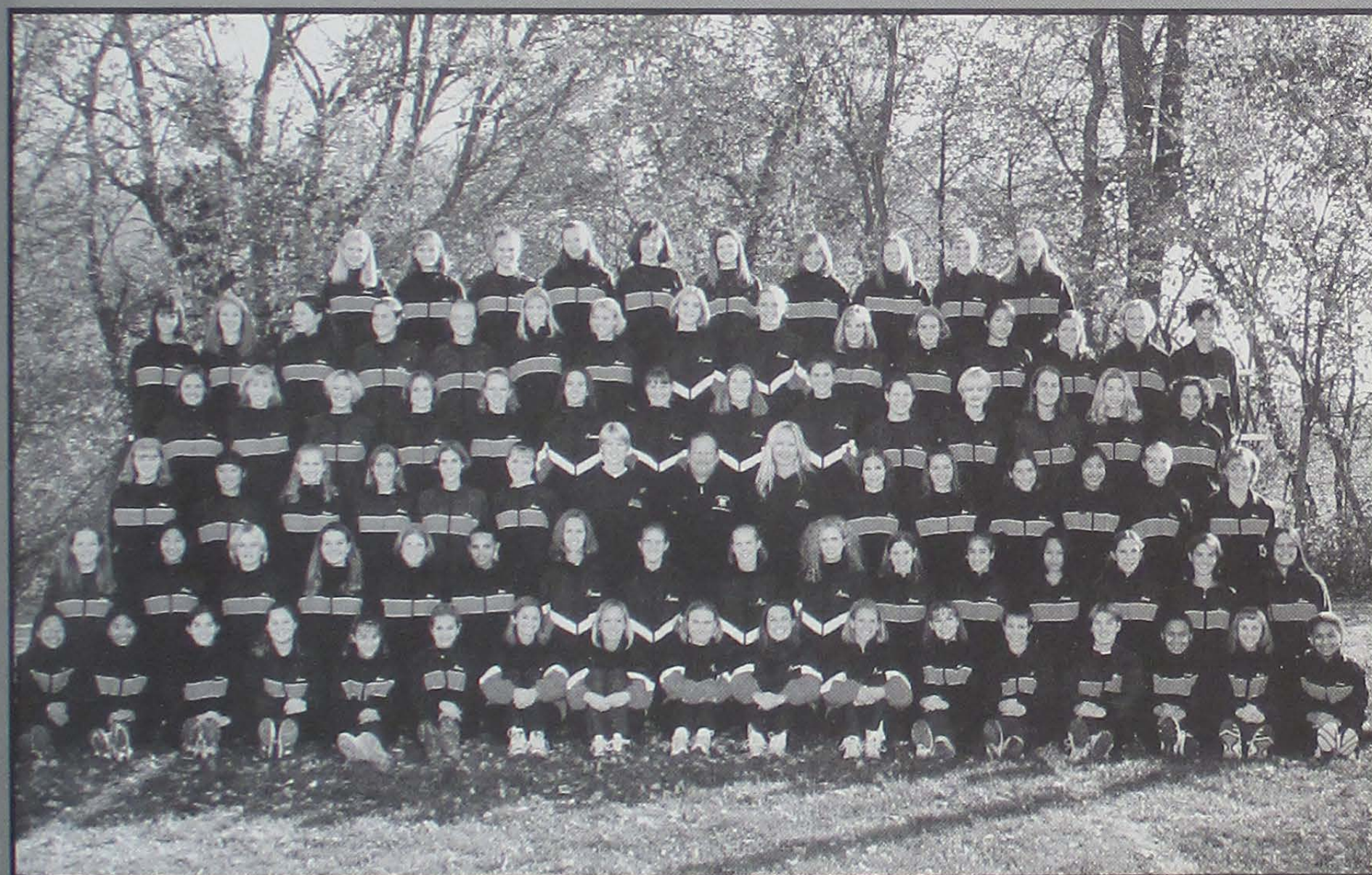
~senior Aaron McElherne~

"The hardest parts of cross country were the road runs and the last 188 meters of a race. A lot of us would finish in a pack and the coaches would yell to push us. It was full of emotion and pressure. I would give it my best and let God give me the strength."

~sophomore John Myers~



First Row: Matt Stewart, Luke Hibbing, Ben Gaul, Levi Nichols, Teddy Nassif, David Metzger, Lincoln Nichols, Brian Janke, Andy Lacznia, Gavin White **Second Row:** Jonah Cunnally, Nevin Sebastian, Ben Stover, Nitin Gadia, Adam Hundertmark, Josh Strasburg, Julius Maina, Dan Bretz, Joe Dunlay, Greg Bonne, Alex Domoto **Third Row:** Mert Akinc, Phil Vega, Mike Gano, Cody Hoyt, Coach John Sletten, Coach Todd Volstedt, Casey Winkleblack, Jeff Block, Aaron Myers, Lane Jahn **Fourth row:** Ben Bryden, Justus Hallam, Steve Bauer, Brent Trevillyan, Brian Cheney, Tim Hibbing, Mitch Shaw, John Myers, Michael Dau, Toby Peters **Fifth Row:** Brian Anderson, Patrick Finn, Jacek Pruski, Aaron McElherne, Nic Roberts, Alec Otteman, Adlai Hurt, Phil Christianson, Ben Erbes, Matt Bunker



First Row: A. Platt, Amie Shao, Linnea Woline, Susan Vleck, Anne Vleck, Amy Noxon, Brooke Sornson, Lauren Morz, Brennan Reedy, Jennifer Lowry, Jessie Swaim, Elissa Thompson, Emily Smith, Heather Lowman, Sylvia Fanous, Megan Whited, Annie Fanous **Second Row:** Lauren Burke, Emily Fauquet, Mandi Crawford, Bernadette Wilson, Erin Walker, Andrea Savage, Jill Larson, Julie Reger, Katie Naeve, Kelly Houge, Katie Schmaltz, Nassrene Hashemi-Toroghi, Hang Nguyen, Megan Greving, Abby Brannan, Gina Russell **Third Row:** Meredith Mull, Angie Schrader, Laura Obrycki, Jessica Goecke, Theresa Horton, Sara Larson, Coach Sullivan, Coach Schmaltz, Coach Joensen, Julie Oesper, Heidi Dobberke, Jessica Peiffer, Sarah Fauquet, Kristen Emery, Rachel Teas **Fourth Row:** Anna Blaedel, Erin Johnson, Annie Peterson, Carlie Petersen, Monica Petersen, Meghan Ritts, Emily Johnston, Sarah Beisser, Katie Gerbracht, Rachel Smelser, Mattea Wayne, Erin Peiffer, Anna Marcinow, Melissa Heer **Fifth Row:** Stacey McConnell, Kristi Wass, Shelly Vance, Cassandra Erickson, Beth Peterson, Lindsay Burhenn, Andrea Steele, Erica Lynn, Kesha Johns, Katie Horton, Amy Sargent, Susie Bern, Betsy Deardorff, Bridget Rhodes, Ava Golchin **Sixth Row:** Brea Peterson, Katie Gidlewski, Madeleine Russell, Julia Slocum, Lindsey Pohlman, Alecia Britten, Lindsay VanFleet, Stephanie Schmaltz, Emily Blaedel, Amanda Dillavou

Girls Cross Country

"I will remember all of the nice people from my first year of cross country. One time, on our way up a hard long hill by Brookside, I only made it up with the help of Linnea Woline and Stacey McConnell. To reward ourselves after we had finished, we went swinging at Brookside."

~freshman Megan Greving~

"It's amazing how much fun you can have when you're running soooo.....far."

~sophomore Theresa Horton~

"The highlight of cross country was taking an alternate route to Beth's house and bonding with OPRAH and chips."

~senior Casee Erickson~



Varsity Fall Cheerleading

"The rivalries between stunt groups on the state squad created unity within the squad. They helped us to work together independently so all three groups could function as one at competition. Go Big Oun!"

~junior Steph Girton~

First Row: Kim Lavallee, Kelley Kunz, Amy Swanson, Stephanie Girton, Amy Pavlik **Second Row:** Brandy Williams, Ashley Van Auken, Anna Burgduff, Laura Woline, Emily Polich, Emma Mallarino, Megan Berning, Nicole Olson, Anna North, Lindsey Wright, Lane Pyle, Oun Platt, Megan Curtis, Sarah Rathert, Ann Benson, Julie Prindle, Julie Song, Emmy Smith, Becky Heller

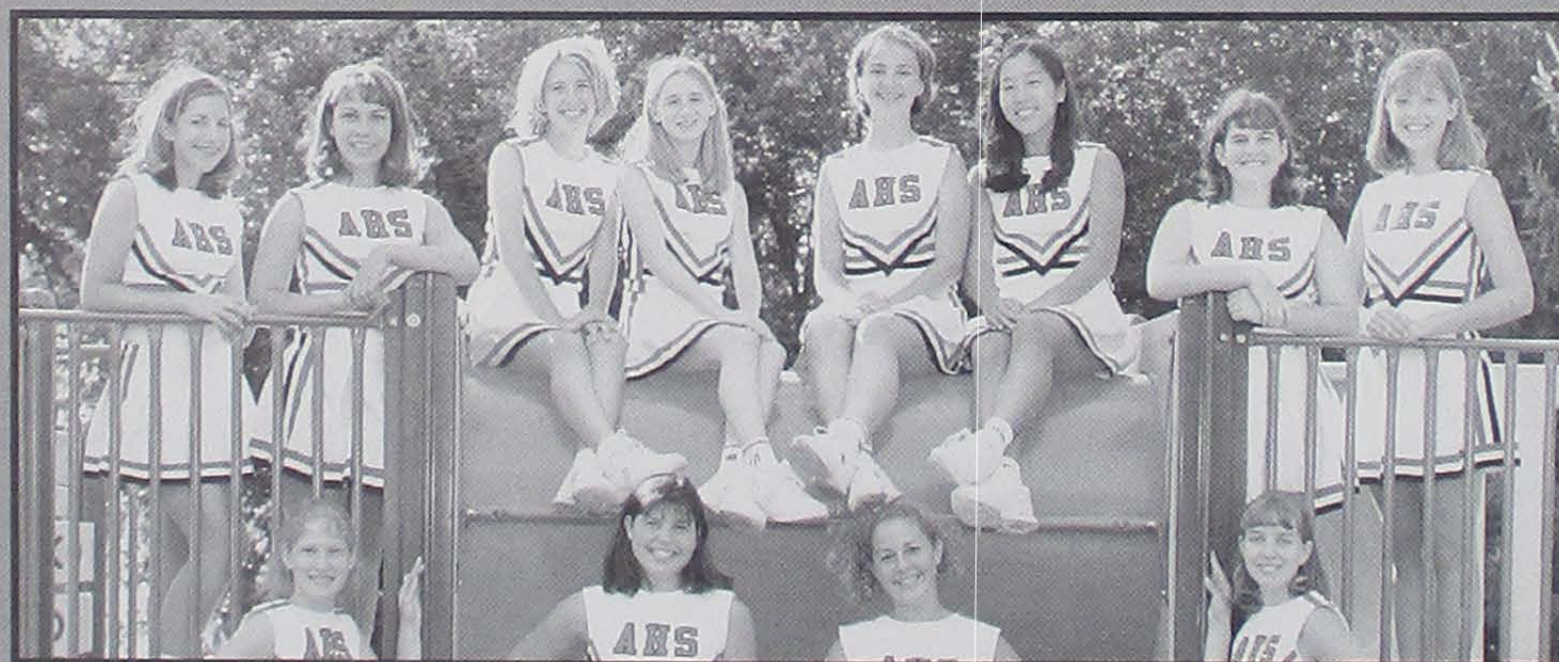
Sophomore Fall Cheerleading

"One time when we were doing a lifting stunt with Mandi Hyde and on the way down she twisted and almost broke her ankle. Thankfully, she was okay, and we helped her limp off the court."

~sophomore Melissa Mikesh~



First Row: Ashley Jones, Amanda Hyde, Mary Ellett, Sara Simons, Haley Pick **Second Row:** Kellie Jutting, Bridget Segedi, Melissa Mikesh, Latrice Sawyer, Kelly Packer, Kiley Rebarcak, Kate McHugh, Lisle Hinderks



Freshmen Fall Cheerleading

"I've never been so scared to walk up stairs as I was when I wore my cheerleading skirt."

~freshman Kristin Redmond~

First Row: Leslie Koppenhaver, Megan Cross, Rachel Curtis, Danielle Schilling **Second Row:** Lisa Simpson, Anna Downing, Emmeline Hallam, Kelly Baker, Kristin Redmond, Liz Song, Eva Stevens, Claire Morris

Boys Golf

"The funniest part of golf for me was listening to the interesting music on the van rides to away meets. Some of the music was a little sketchy in its lyrics!"

~junior Jason Garwood~

"I won't forget how when we were practicing out at the WOI driving range I hit a ball that hit a car and broke its window."

~freshman Billy Fennelly~



First Row: Justin Donnell, Nathan Porter, Kirk Youngberg, Coach RJ Voss, Mitchell Ridnour, Nick Inglett, Peter Ringlee **Second Row:** Adam Shaull, Ryan Jordan, Matt Weirson, Theron Worthington, Billy Fennelly, Chip Wandling, Aaron Brown, Ben Wendel **Third Row:** Dan Wandling, Jason Garwood, Daniel Jeong, Lindy Ellett, John Kim, Ryan Ward, Brandon Crase, Jim Kain



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Girls Swimming

"The most fun girls were in lane 5! We were rockin and we even worked hard. Our lane party was especially fabulous. Through swimming I was able to meet many underclassman that I would not have otherwise known and that made swimming the best. I also loved making the swimming yearbook because I was able to look back and remember all of the good people and good times."

~senior Jill Hamilton~



Varsity Volleyball

"One time, we had a sleepover at Lisa Corley's house and did a scavenger hunt. We had to videotape ourselves doing dumb things in campus town such as walking drunk down the street, asking Varsity Theater where we could rent *Aladdin* and going to subway to teach the employees how to play volleyball."

~junior Rachel Tapper~

First Row: Jessie Kinyon, Lisa Corley, Nicole Brownfield, Emily Gleeson
Second Row: Kristin Brown, Megan Harms, Sarah Krumm, Sarah Tapper
Third Row: Coach Testroet, Rachel Tapper, Julie McElroy, Erin Martin, Megan Morrow, April Wissink, Coach Hugdahl

JV Volleyball

"The girls enjoyed running a mile after practice, "avoiding" running by the football players for conditioning. The freshmen all quit twenty times during practice."

~Teresa Testroet, JV coach~



First Row: Betsy Huisenga, Laura Ritland, Courtney Jones
Second Row: Amy Logston, Diane Borcharding, Dorota Pruski, Megan Hunziker
Third Row: Leslie Westgate, Andrea Otteman, Coach Testroet, Julie McElroy, Rachelle Ruggle

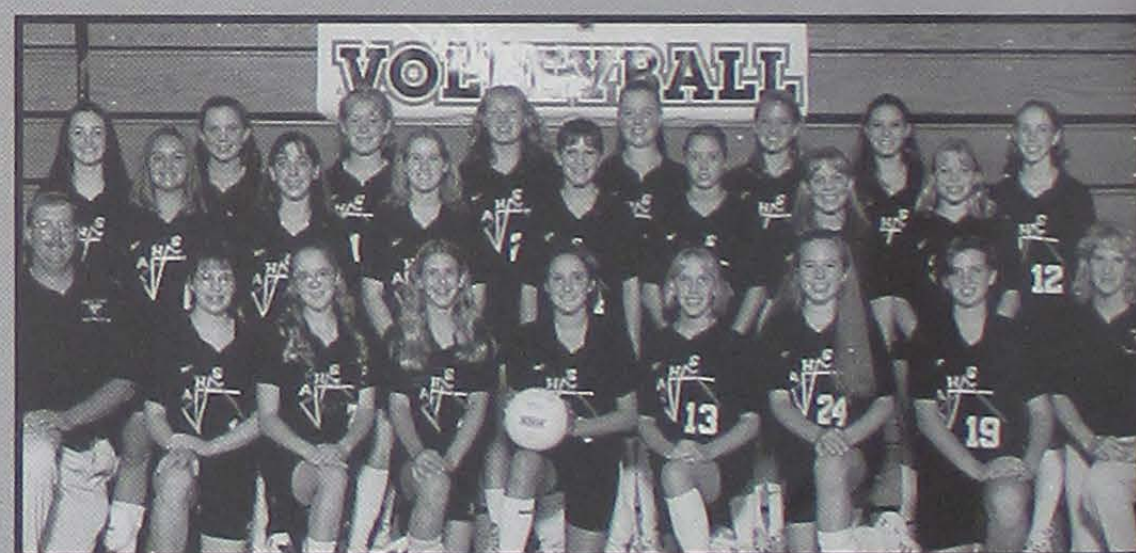


First Row: Carrie Samson, Jessie Rutherford, Hope Okere, Erika Takle
Second Row: Melisse Owen, Stephanie Smelser, Nikki Clark
Third Row: Katie Nelsen, Kelly McMaken, Oriana Kaufmann, Dara Poorman, Kristina Arthur, Olga Balema, Coach Gill

Sophomore Volleyball

"The funniest memory I have was when Melisse Owen decided to be superwomen and dive for the ball. Instead, she did a belly flop onto the floor. We all laughed after we knew she was okay."

~sophomore Carrie Samson~



First Row: Coach Don Borcharding, Meagan Ausborn, Crystal Pilcher, Melissa Wunder, Lindsey Olson, Chelsey Schmidt, Heather Johnson, Sophie Chartier, Coach Bridgette Almond
Second Row: Molly Martens, Laura Beeman, Jodie Veale, Amy Brinkheide, Stacy Strodman, Jenna Blum, Janelle Jorgensen
Third Row: Shannon Thomas, Megan Brownfield, Alisa Link, Rachel Taege, Robyn Kohler, Angela Linduska, Kaylie Engelen, Katherine Beavers
Not Pictured: Mary Houk and Katie Brown

Freshmen Volleyball

"My favorite practices were when we played midget volleyball. To play, we sat on our knees and ran around on them. Once, I ran into the bleachers."

~freshman Katie Brown~

Boys Swimming

"The thing that sticks out in my mind would have to be going through B.O.T (Balls-out-training) for the first time. During B.O.T. we really found out who we got along with and who we worked well with because we were in a small lane with our team for three entire hours!"

~freshman Gavin White~



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Wrestling

"I think this year's team was the best I have been on. It was very exciting to have Brandon Winkey win the state championship. The team was a younger team this year which made it a rebuilding year, but we knew the younger wrestlers would also make us stronger for the future."

~junior David Ling~

"Wrestling was awesome because I made a lot of friends and got introduced to my future girlfriend."

~freshman David Metzger~



Boys Varsity Basketball

"The season went really well. It was good to be playing because we were finally back on the winning track this year."
~junior Graham Van Horn~

"Before the games, Tim Stoops and I would lead inspirational team breakdowns for the Varsity team without the coaches. This gave me a chance to help the team out some since I rarely played."
~senior Brandon Bogue~

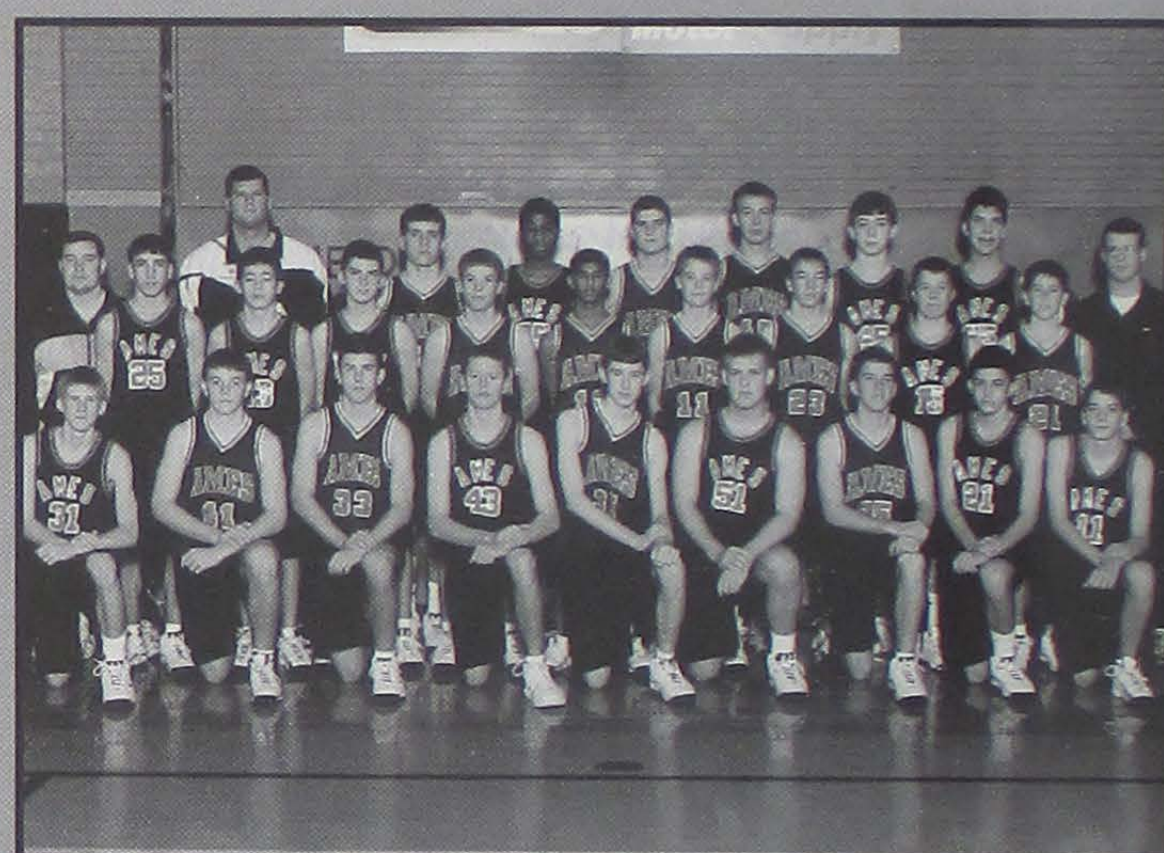
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First Row: Mike Shi, Doug Moore, Steve Wise, Curt Myers, Casey Winkleblack, Matt Stark **Second Row:** Coach Downs, Coach Schwiegert, Grant Mohlke, Lane Jahn, John Tillo, Jon Warren, Coach Goodwin

Boys Sophomore Basketball

"We ran like no other at practices. We just ran and ran and ran. We were too tired to even talk."
~sophomore Casey Winkleblack~



First Row: Brent Trevillyan, Evan Sengbusch, Chris Bystrom, Tyler Wilson, Patrick McConnell, Tom Kiliper, Trevor Smith, Jake Dunshee, Matt Weber **Second Row:** Coach Bappe, Nathan Porter, Seth Jacobson-Swanson, Conor Kane, Ian Smith, Ben Comstock, Eric Nau, Justin McGeeney, Mike Jones, Matt Weirson, Coach Peasley **Third Row:** Coach Kain, Nick Bessman, Josh Inyang, Johathan Nelson, Andrew Nelson, Jim Strand, Dan Wandling

Boys Freshmen Basketball

"I remember when Dan Wandling was shafted by the coach. The coach said that if he made all of his free throws he wouldn't have to run. When Dan made them all, the coach told him he would also have to make a half court shot. He missed and so he ran."
~freshman Patrick McConnell~

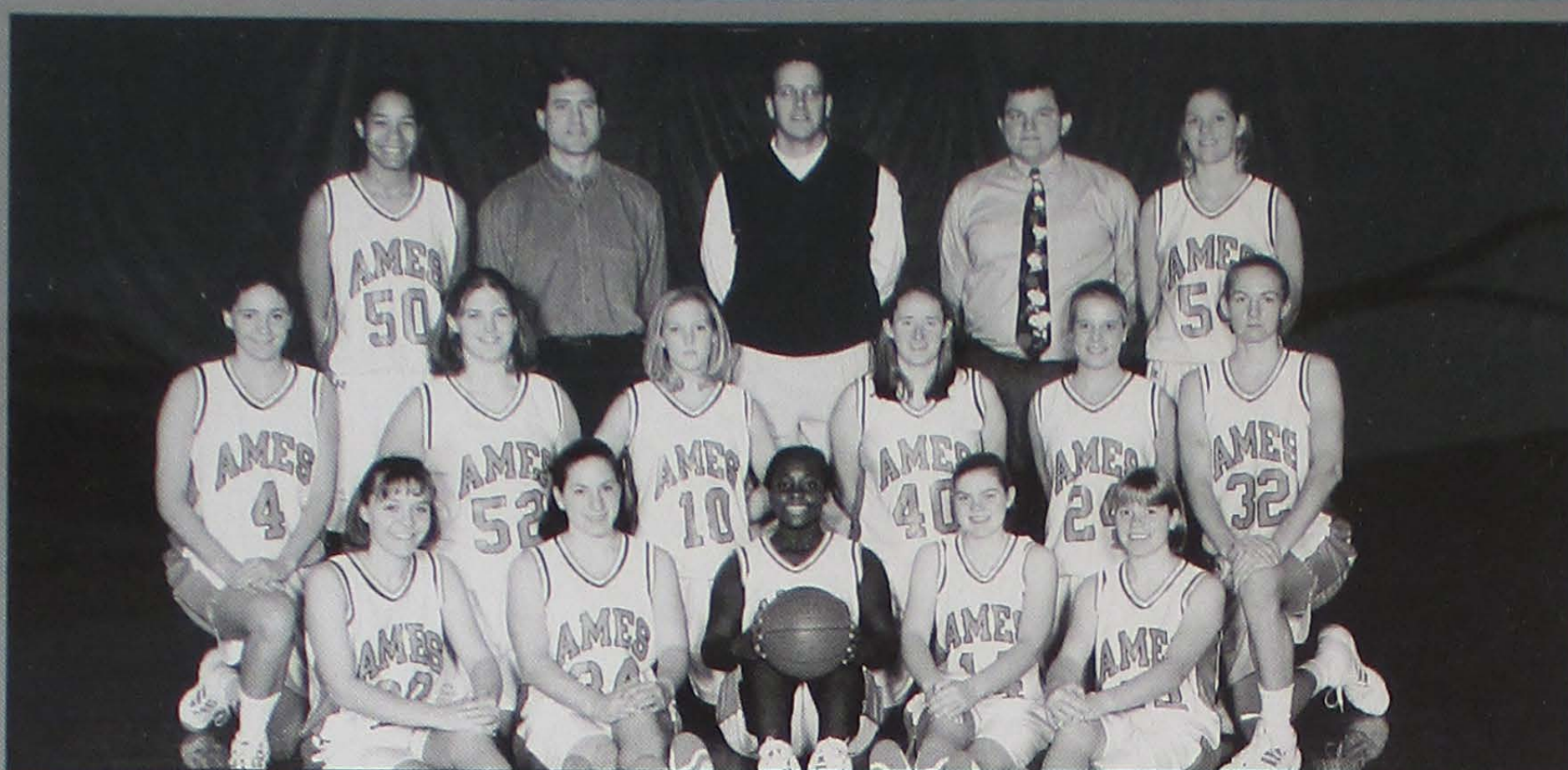
Girls Varsity Basketball

"The Kansas City trip was awesome! The best part was when a group of us went on our one voyage to find the nicest bathroom. The Hallmark department store won."

~junior Erin Martin~

"It was awesome in Kansas City when we pranked the other rooms and made them think they were being stalked by some creepy guys from the lobby."

~junior Lindsay Erickson~



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Girls Sophomore Basketball

"Only one word could sum up this year's basketball season - FABULOUS!!"

~sophomore Katie Gerbracht~

"We've never had a coach that had more dates than their players!"

~sophomore Stacey Arkovich and Abby Sutherland~



Front Row: Chelsey Schmidt, Ashley Drapal, Samantha Malone, Jenny Dobson, Jenna Blum, Carolyn Wilson, Jessie Swaim **Second Row:** Allison Burke, Jessica Goecke, Crystal Pilcher, Mikki Colbert, Lauren Burke, Rachel Wakefield **Third Row:** Kristen Rozanski, Emily Blaedel, Coach Volstedt, Rachel Taege, Coach Rial, Megan Brownfield, Alisa Link

Girls Freshmen Basketball

"Something we all enjoyed was coach Rile's impressions of *Major Payne* before the games when we were getting ready. We weren't the best but we had fun because he made it fun even when we were losing. He was just a great coach."

~freshman Allison Burke~

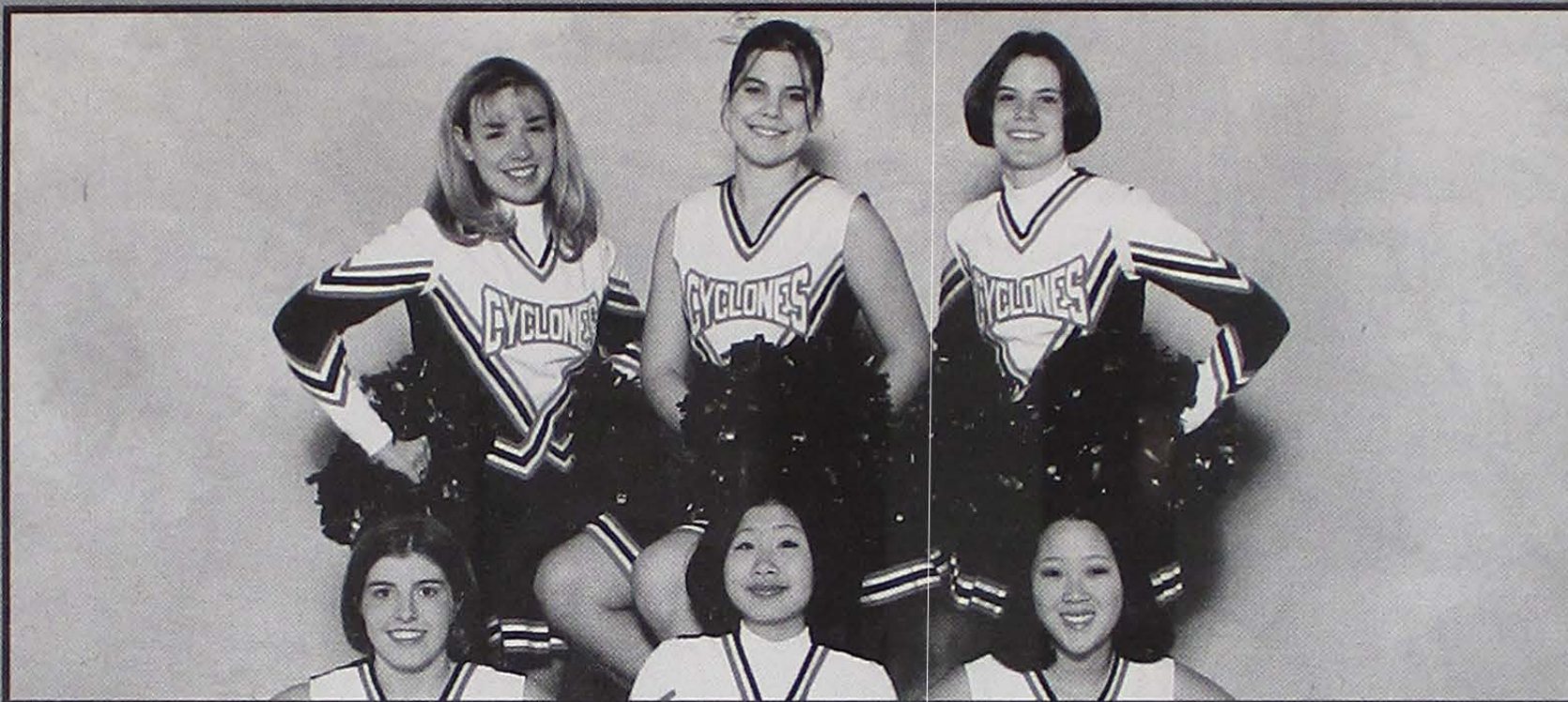
Varsity Boys Basketball Cheerleaders

"The best part about being a cheerleader for the boys basketball team was when the entire team presented us with big heart shaped frosted cookies with our names on them for Valentines Day! I loved the squad I cheered with because we grew to know and cooperate with each other."

~senior Laura Woline~



First Row: Kearsten Habhab, Emmy Smith, Laura Woline **Second Row:** Kari Laferriere, Emma Mallarino, Kathryn Lamont



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Varsity Girls Basketball Cheerleaders

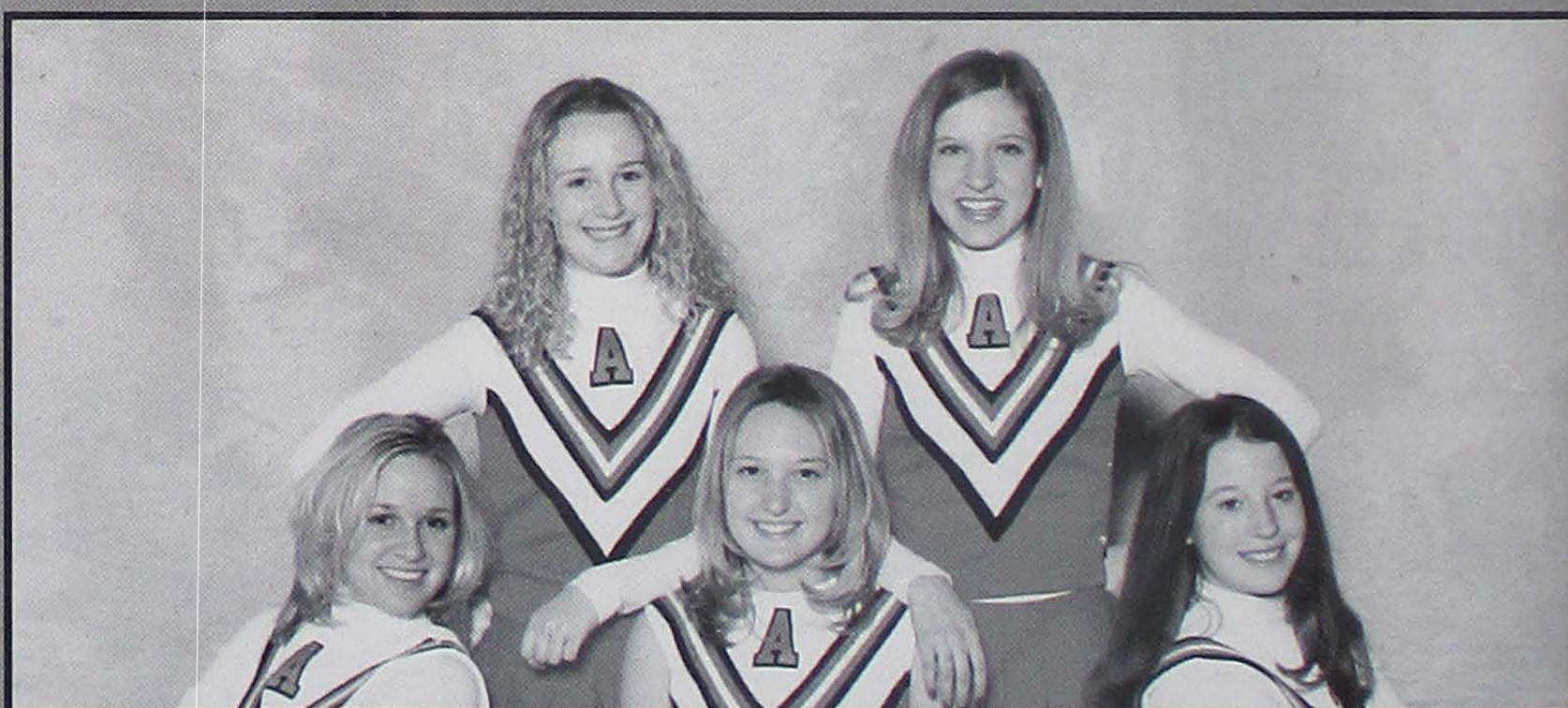
"Our team liked to poke fun at the other teams by calling Ankeny "skanken" and commenting on how the Urbandale girls dressed like they're twenty. My best memory was forming friendships and cheering for the girls at the state tournament."

~senior Sarah Tapper~

Varsity Wrestling Cheerleaders

"My favorite part of the cheerleading season was having overnights in hotels on road trips with the wrestlers. We got to hang out with them and get to know them. The state tournament was so exciting and intense. There was a lot of hope but we never knew just how far the team would qualify."

~senior Lindsey Wright~

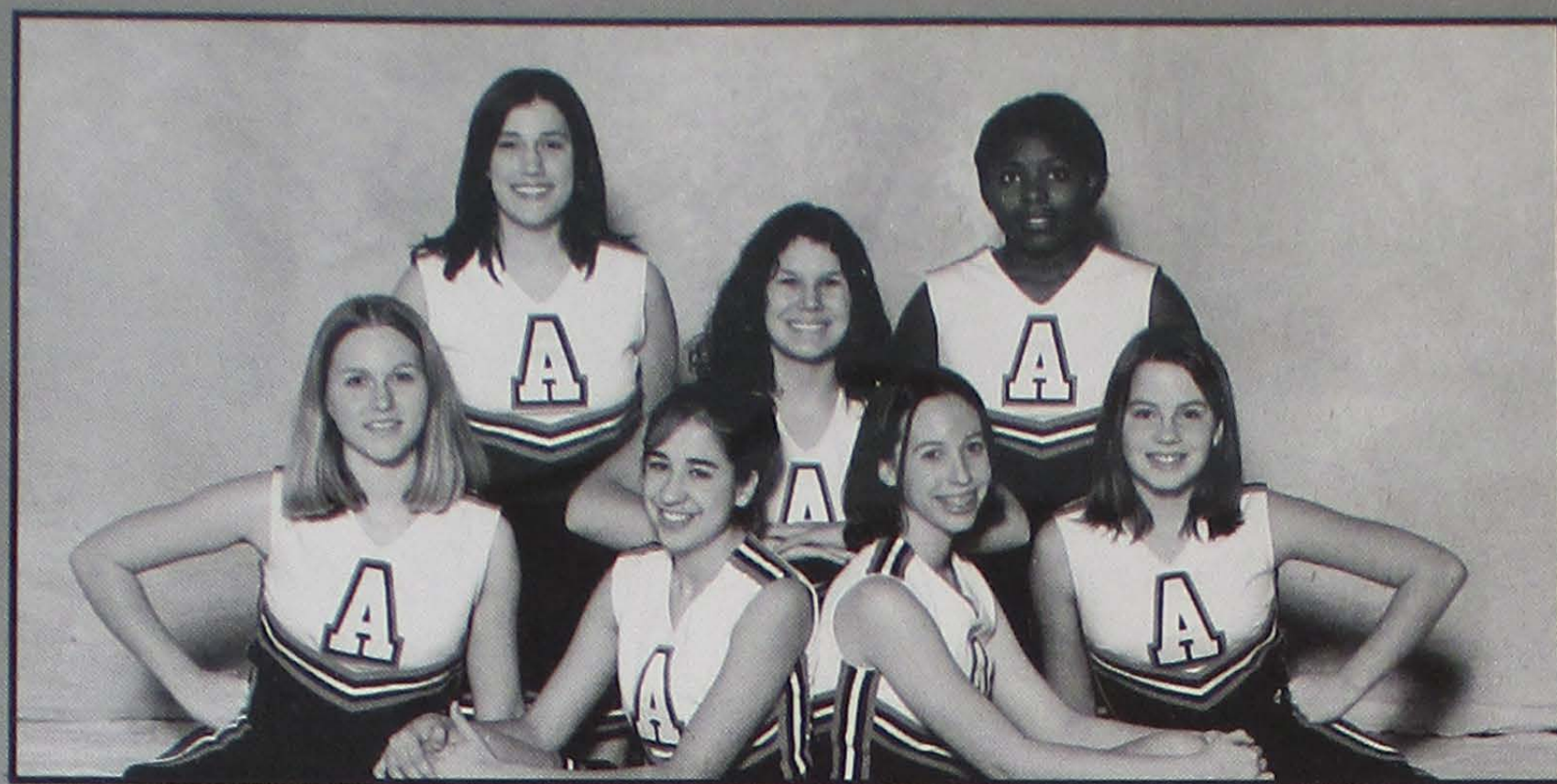


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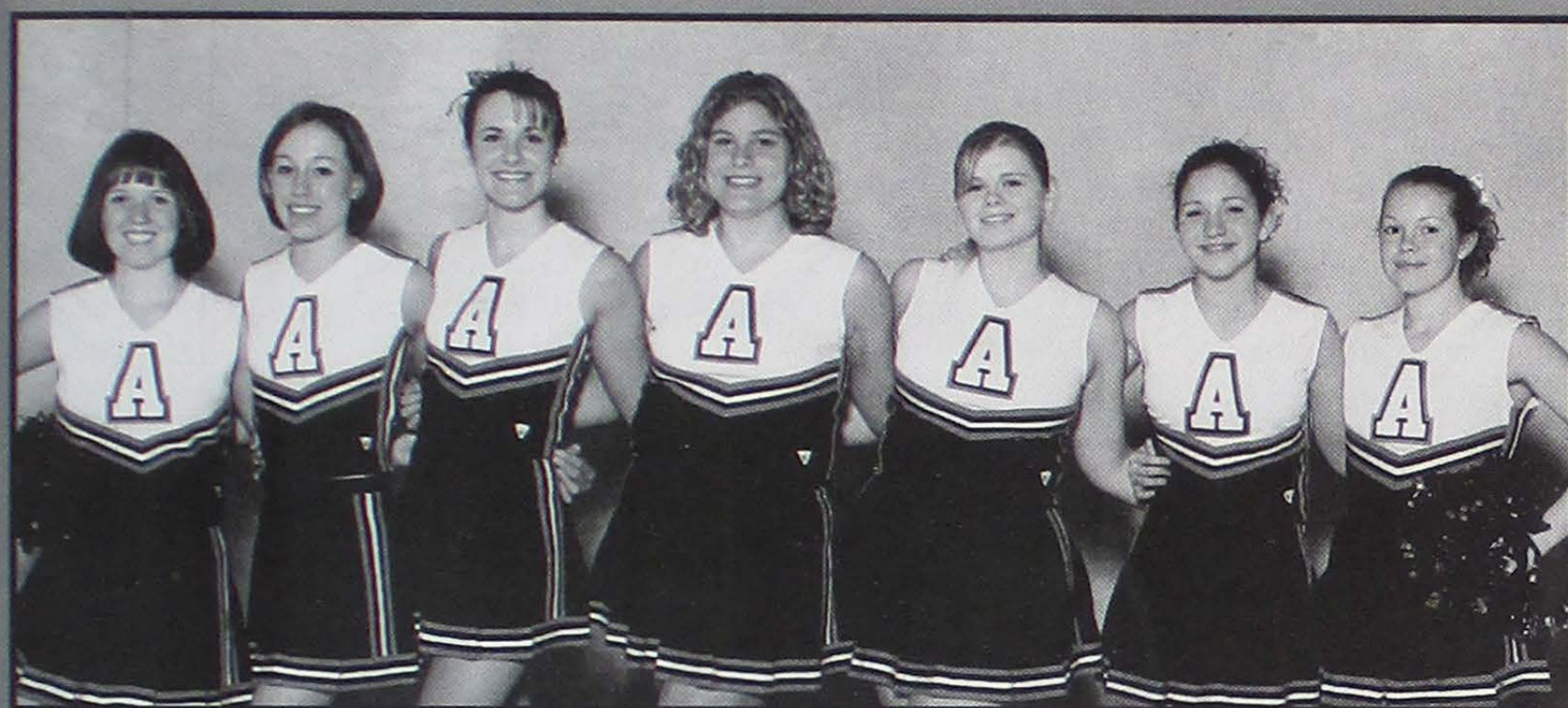
Sophomore Boys Basketball Cheerleaders

"My favorite was cheering for boys basketball because more people came to the games and were more energetic. Cheerleading was perfect for me because I got to go out in front of a crowd and get every one pumped up and involved in the game."

~sophomore Kellie Jutting~



First Row: Erica Pertersen, Nassrene Hashemi-Toroghi, Stephanie Moore, Cassandra Akers **Second Row:** Kate McHugh, Stephanie Smelser, Latrice Sawyer



Kelly Packer, Lisle Hinderks, Ashley Jones, Kellie Jutting, Sara Tamashunas, Melissa Mikesh, Amanda Hyde

Sophomore Girls Basketball Cheerleaders

"It started out that I didn't enjoy winter cheerleading as much as fall cheerleading because it was less challenging and we didn't get to compete."

~sophomore Melissa Mikesh~

Freshmen Cheerleaders

"I really liked the stunting we did during practice it was a break from the regular cheers. Being a flyer was awesome because I got to be thrown up in the air. The only question was whether I was going to be caught!"

~freshman Emmeline Hallam~



First Row: Eva Stevens, Emmeline Hallam, Lisa Simpson, Megan Cross **Second Row:** Amy Brinkheide, Shannon Thomas, Lindsey Olson **Third Row:** Jennie Cummings, Annie Vleck, Rachel Curtis, Jenna Carr, Heather Johnson, Danielle Schilling, Rachel Elliott, Amy Noxon

Drill Team

"The most memorable time was wearing red bandanas to the Ballard Spring Show. We wore them to make our coach mad and poke fun at Ballard fans by wearing their school colors and acting like gangsters."

~junior Sarah Wakefield~

"The most exciting experience was when we won the Northwest Iowa competition. As our first competition of the year it gave us more confidence for State in December."

~sophomore Andrea Crouse~



First Row: Janelle Jorgensen, Alyssa Sally, Jessie Baker, Sara Pfeiffer, Sarah Nadler, Kelly Baker **Second Row:** Carol Nunez, Allison Mahan, Elissa Thompson, Anna Downing, Andrea Crouse, Sarah Wakefield, Jill Nelson, Melinda Brandt **Third Row:** Monica Petersen, Hope Okere, Kinsey Glen, Melissa Mc Elvain, Mary Gilarski, Rachel Teas, Amy Hronek, Kate Downing, Brooke Sornsen **Fourth Row:** Coach Buss, Sara Simons, Betsy Ziegenbusch, Kristen Emery, Angie Linduska, Beth Palumbo, Melissa Riedesel, Anat Shinar, Kelly Bartsch, Caitlin Braun, Amy Colony



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Hockey

"Special Scotty, a.k.a. Scott Seiknick, and George Hetfield always kept us entertained whether it they were tripping over the lines on the ice or making fun of each other for hours. The Varsity Hockey team went to Chicago too, where we played laser tag. The coach won!"

~freshman Trevor Heithoff~

Boys Tennis

"Our coach mr. Lofgren used to play tennis for Ankeny, so when we played Ankeny he brought his old Ankeny sweatshirt and a can of lighter fluid. He told us if we won the shirt would burn...but we lost."

~junior Brandon Crase~

"After our meets we'd eat dinner at cocost and all laugh at Chris Lueth's witty comments about rusty forks."

~senior Phil Christianson~



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First Row: Megan Greving, Jenny Chung, Mona Dalal, Amanda Yeung, Lisa Corley, Sherry Cheuk, Diane Parlade, Jessica Lee
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Third Row: Elizabeth Beavers, Sarah Beisser, Laura Wilson, Coach Thiede, Amy Bappe, Pam Le, Jill Larson, Katie Kearney, Laura Carlyle

Girls Tennis

"Try-outs were a little scary, but all the upper upperclassmen made us feel comfortable about the whole thing. Being on the team for the first time was a really neat experience."
 ~freshman Jenny Chung~

"This was a really successful year of people step up to fill in the voids left by seniors who graduated last year. The freshmen were a great addition to the team. We all got along well which made the season even more memorable."
 ~junior Lisa Corley~

Boys Track

"Running around the Newton track after winning the conference championship, singing the Ames High Fight song, and Justus Hallam getting hit in the head with a box of oranges thrown by a disgruntled Valley track member."

~junior Jon Sargent~



First Row: Brandon Pei, Levi Nichols, Adam De Marie, Ben Stover, Nate Logsdon, Brian Quigley, Mike Jones, Gene Garcia, Gavin White, Adam Hundertmark, Neal McAndrews, Lincoln Nichols, Jason Clark **Second Row:** Kyle Rippey, Adam Larson, Brandon Heath, Eric Thompson, Tyler Strodman, Matt Weber, Ben Cheney, Ben Nerdig, Jay Honeyman, Peter Ringlee, Kolde Agbaje, Tom Sellers, Dan Jones, Matt Stewart **Third Row:** Luke Hibbing, Walter Dowling, Dustin Tenney, Eric Palmberg, Coach Carl Pelzer, Coach Bruce Vertanen, Coach Todd Volstedt, Coach John Sletten, Coach Vance Downs, Coach Litchfield, Coach Schweigert, Josh Wagner, Bobby Lyon, Chris Sturm **Fourth Row:** Jasper MacDonald, Mitch Shaw, Dave Larson, Austin Hurt, Trevor Brown, Doug Moore, Greg Hatt, Jon Russell, Lane Jahn, Casey Winkleblack, Toby Peters, Adam Webb, Nate Staniforth **Fifth Row:** Tyler Clarke, Alex Domoto, John Koehler, Matt Parker, Chris Bolin, Kejing Wang, Matt Knop, Jon Sargent, Jeff Russell, Fabian De Kok, Brandon Cornelius, Micah Juelfs, Lorenzo Taylor **Sixth Row:** Greg Payne, Sean Carlton, Nick Bessman, Eric Schmidt, Ben Bryden, John Myers, Ryan Loes, Kevin McCormick, David Hugdahl, Tom Kilper, Brian Banker, Mike Freiberg, Bryan Schainker, Brian Anderson **Seventh Row:** Mark Bokhoven, Mike Huisenga, John Holscher, Andy Kohler, Brandon Bogue, Alec Otteman, Brian Cheney, Mike Gano, Justus Hallam, Tim Hibbing, Ben Erbes, Nick Larson, Nic Roberts, Austin Hansell, **Eighth Row:** Josh Inyang, Mike Miller, Brian Clark, Aaron Rosheim, Chris Parrish, Casey Brown, Chris Davis, Aaron McElherne, Adlai Hurt, Alex Danielson, Mike O'Connell, Ben Cronin, Abe Tim



First Row: Stacey Arkovich, Nassrene Hashemi-Toroghi, Mandy Hyde, Katie Schmaltz, Jennifer O'Brien, Sam Malone, Chelsea Chittenden, Megan Whited, Vanessa Dauterive, Jenny Dobson, Emily Smith, Heather Lowman, Elissa Thompson, Kim Rodgers, Elisa Arkovich, Laura Rittland **Second Row:** Sara Tamashunas, Rachel Smelser, Laura Obrycki, Betsy Deardorff, Bridget Rhodes, Crystal Pilcher, Eva Stevens, Andria Belle, Quinn Perrin, Lynse Schmidt, Lisa Simpson, Brennan Reedy, Jessie Swaim, Shelby Junkman, Parisa Ijadi-Maghsoudi, Mareike Hippen **Third Row:** Lora Van Marel, Olga Balema, Katie Brown, Emily Fauquet, Gretchen Matson, Coach Sullivan, Coach Wittmer, Coach Duea, Coach Schmaltz, Coach Clinton, Coach Sullivan, Lisle Hinderks, Sarah Fauquet, Rachel Curtis, Liz Song, Maggie Larabee **Fourth Row:** Amelia Koford, Carol Adams, Valerie Matters, Lauren Morz, Megan Cross, Amy Rodgers, Susan Davidson, Robyn Matzke, Kelly McMaken, Katie Adam, Kira Shonkwiler, Jennifer Yates, Tanya Randall, Andrea Choat, Julie Veale, Lindsay Sacco **Fifth Row:** Angie Schroeder, Meredith Mull, Katie Gidlewski, Heather Johnson, Mary Gilarski, Kaylie Engelen, Lindsey Olson, Theresa Horton, Monica Peterson, Melissa Owen, Sarah Tapper, Stephanie Girton, Rachel Tapper, Ellyn Moore, Kelly Houge, Kristen Emery, Kelley Scheppler **Sixth Row:** Laura Miller, Dorota Pruski, Erin Johnson, Tam Jenkins, Trishia Larson, Cassidy Hall, Robyn Kohler, Jennifer Taege, Megan Morrow, Holly Randall, Karen Ewalt, Ayisha Al-Hassan, Emily Blaedel, Angela Landuska, Emily Gleeson **Seventh Row:** Courtney Jones, Rose Ochieng, Kylan Loney, Annie Legg, Megan Flaws, Emily Gleeson, Sara Simons, Megan Maher, Carly Mortensen, Abby Van Maaren, Kellie Jutting, Corey Roberts, Kristen McEachran, Anna North, Julie Reger **Eighth Row:** Megan Harms, Laura Skladany, Shaina Larson, Nicole Larson, Erin Martin, Erica Lynn, Andrea Otteman

Girls Track

"Long jump is the best event because you can make sand castles and land on your butt without hurting yourself!"

~sophomore Stacey Arokovich~

"I was surprised at the high level of camaraderie for such a large squad. The girls, by the end of the season, became really close. Track is actually a sport of close-knit girls, especially for how many people are involved."

~junior Laura Obrycki~

Varsity Girls Soccer

"Soccer is definitely my favorite sport. The field is like my second home. Slide tackling in the mud was also fun. I love it when we scrimmage in the rain and get mud all over our faces."

~sophomore Rachel Ruggle~

"It was an interesting season because we had to do a lot of rebuilding."

~sophomore Jessica Pfeiffer~



First Row: Erika Takle, Jessi Swaim, Rebecca Hamby, Lauren Morz, Danielle Cain, Bri Staff **Second Row:** Val Gleason, Jessica Bents, Jessica Pfeiffer, Kristin Redmond, Rachelle Ruggle, Rachel Marek, Kristi Wass, Sarah Smart **Third Row:** Rachel Griesse, Erin Peiffer, Meredith Mull, Shelly Vance, Kari Laferriere, Julia Slocum, Rachel Jones, Steph Inglett, Coach Graham



First Row: Chelsea Fitch, Katie Brannan, Sylvia Fanous, Annie Fanous, Stacy Strodman, Sherry Cheuk, Kelly Packer **Second Row:** Kayla Jensen, Sara Larson, Jessica Peiffer, Lisa Simpson, Nasserene Hashemi-Trougi, Rachel Elliot **Third Row:** Erica Griesse, Brea Peterson, Katie Gerbracht, Kelley Scheppler, Erica Lynn, Christine Westgate, Megan Cross

JVA Girls Soccer

"We had just finished practicing slide-tackling in the mud and we had to go to the sports kickoff all muddy when everyone else was dressed up."

~freshman Christine Westgate~

One of the best moments of the season was when Katie "Gerber Baby" Gerbracht hit the goal post three times in a row and still didn't score.

~sophomore Kelly Packer~

JVB Girls Soccer

"We've never made a goal so we thought that we might make shirts that have a goal and the ratio .0000 written over it. Or maybe we'll make a shirt that has a soccer player on it with a bubble over her head with a soccer ball and a question mark because we are very new to the game of soccer."

~Freshman Sarah Naddler~



First Row: Theresa Horton, Sarah Naddler, Janelle Jorgensen, Carolina Nunez, Caroline, Jennifer Yates, Rachel Curtis **Second Row:** Terri Hawley, Monica Peterson, Erin Walker, Ayisha Al-Hassan, Meegan Hand, Becky Taylor, Kira Shonkwiler, Heather Berg **Third Row:** Coach Erin, Bridget Segedi, Amanda Hyde, Sara Tamashunas, Tanya Randall, Megan Doering, Linor Vaknin, Olga Balema, Rachele Petregardi

Varsity Boys Soccer

"The core of our team has been together for a very long time which has helped in our success. Playing goalie is very stressful. You live in two extremes. Either you save a lot of goals and are the hero or miss easy, soft goals and are the goat. You are constantly having to live with these extremes, either fame, or whatever the opposite of fame is."

~senior Jon Mowers~

"Playing on both JV and Varsity was a challenge but was also a lot of fun because I got to form friendships on both teams. Before games, Varsity had pre-game poetry readings. On the bus rides to our away games, we'd all contribute lines to the poem...and then read it aloud. The poems were always funny."

~junior Will Payeur~



First Row: Andy Laczniak, Brian Janke, Mark Poist, Joel Britson, Giles Slocum, Elijah Abel, Nate Ward, Ben Archer, Justin McGeeney, Ben Gaul **Second Row:** Jeff Block, Evan Sengbusch, Tyler Cardwell, Michael Glaser, Larry Coffman, Will Payeur, Kyle Vance, Michael Dau, Kyle Lofstedt **Third Row:** Tamim Mahayni, Matt Mowers, Derek Larson, Michael Heitzman, Jon Hoyt, Curt McGeeney, Dylan Martinez, Chase Winkey, Basil Mahayni **Fourth Row:** Ian Ritz, Andres Nunez, Adam Crumpton, Greg Elliot, Joey Wanzek, Stephen Goldman, Ben Wendel, Tim Distler **Fifth Row:** Ryan Gleason, Mike Mahr, Coach Zmolek, Sandro Basinini, Ankor Amin, Jon Mowers, Trevor Heithoff

Freshmen Boys Soccer

"We are a very tight group. When we win it is a win for all of us and when we lose it is a loss for all of us. The captains keep us together and motivate us through and through."

~ freshman Tintha Mwanza~

"Our coach always told us to go and watch the older teams play. He wanted us to go to senior night to honor all of the seniors for all of their hard work and we were all excited when Dylan Martinez scored seven goals to break the school record against Ankeny."

~freshman Jamie Craig~



First Row: Nick Persaud, Tintha Mwanza, Sarah Bean, Matt Orazem, Matthew Maxwell **Second Row:** Carol Nunez, Zach Mohn, Dimitri Syrkin-Nikolau, Nathan Porter, Alex Alechine, Wesley Yates, Peter Ng, Zach Scott, Jamie Craig, James Ewald, Matthew Weirson, Stacy Strodman **Third Row:** Matt B. Martin Jankowiak, Scott Johnson, Cason Clark, Honza Navratil, Jon Allen, Wes Dunlap, Coach Olson, Reid Stephenson, Chris Bystrom, Seth Inyang, Brent Trevillyan, Jake Wagner, Matt Duffy, Scott Heggly

Girls Golf

"When we counted up the scores at regionals we realized we had only one stroke against Marshalltown. Marshalltown had beat us the last two times we golfed against them so we were very excited, because as Emily said, we beat them when it counted."

~junior Alison Buck~

"Golf can be uneventful sometimes, but everyone on the team wafriends and we had fun together. We shared our boredom."

~junior Mara Wendel~



First Row: Amy Swanson, Amanda Doering, Katie Naeve **Second Row:** Allison Burke, Allison Buck, Betsy Ziegenbusch, Amanda Burke, Lauren Burke **Third Row:** Mara Wendel, Betsy Huisenga, Megan Eernisse, Coach Bob Heiberger, Emily Nau, Stephanie Carroll, Diane Borcharding



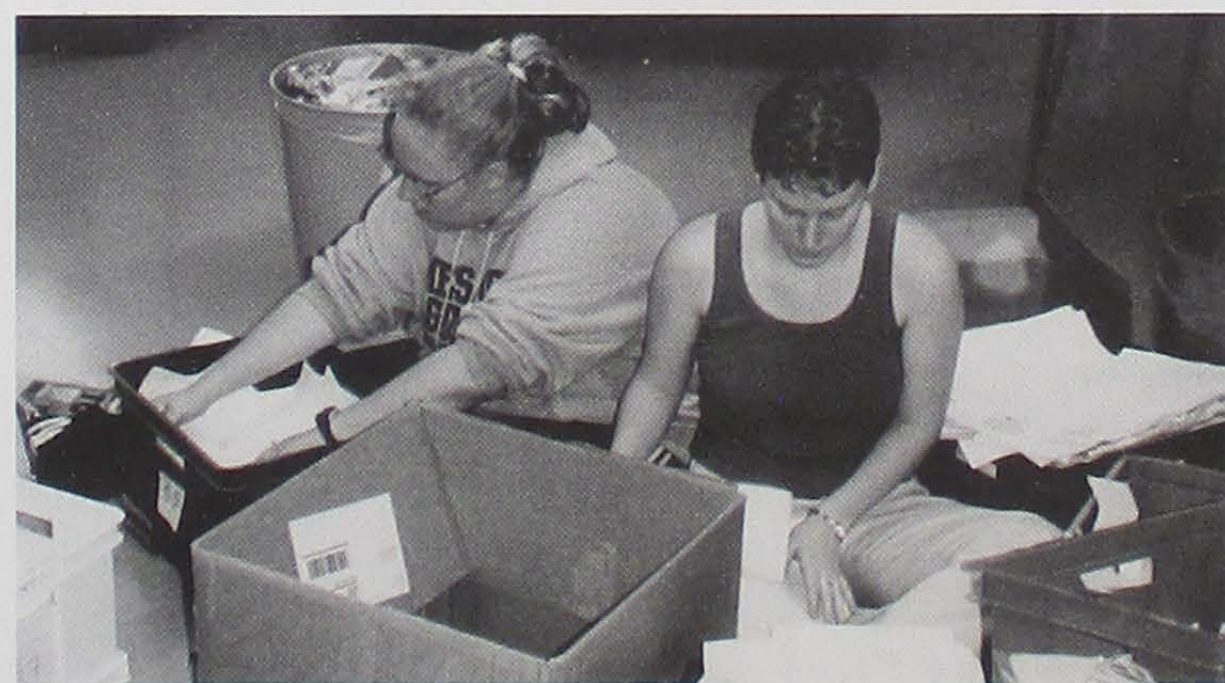
experienced runner, senior **Meghan** paces herself during the last cross country meet of the season. Throughout the year, seniors tended to be the

best motivators for the team due to their immense running experience. Many seniors would not run again for competition. (photo by B. Peterson)



Members of the Science Olympiad team pose for a picture after competing. The team won first place, a great

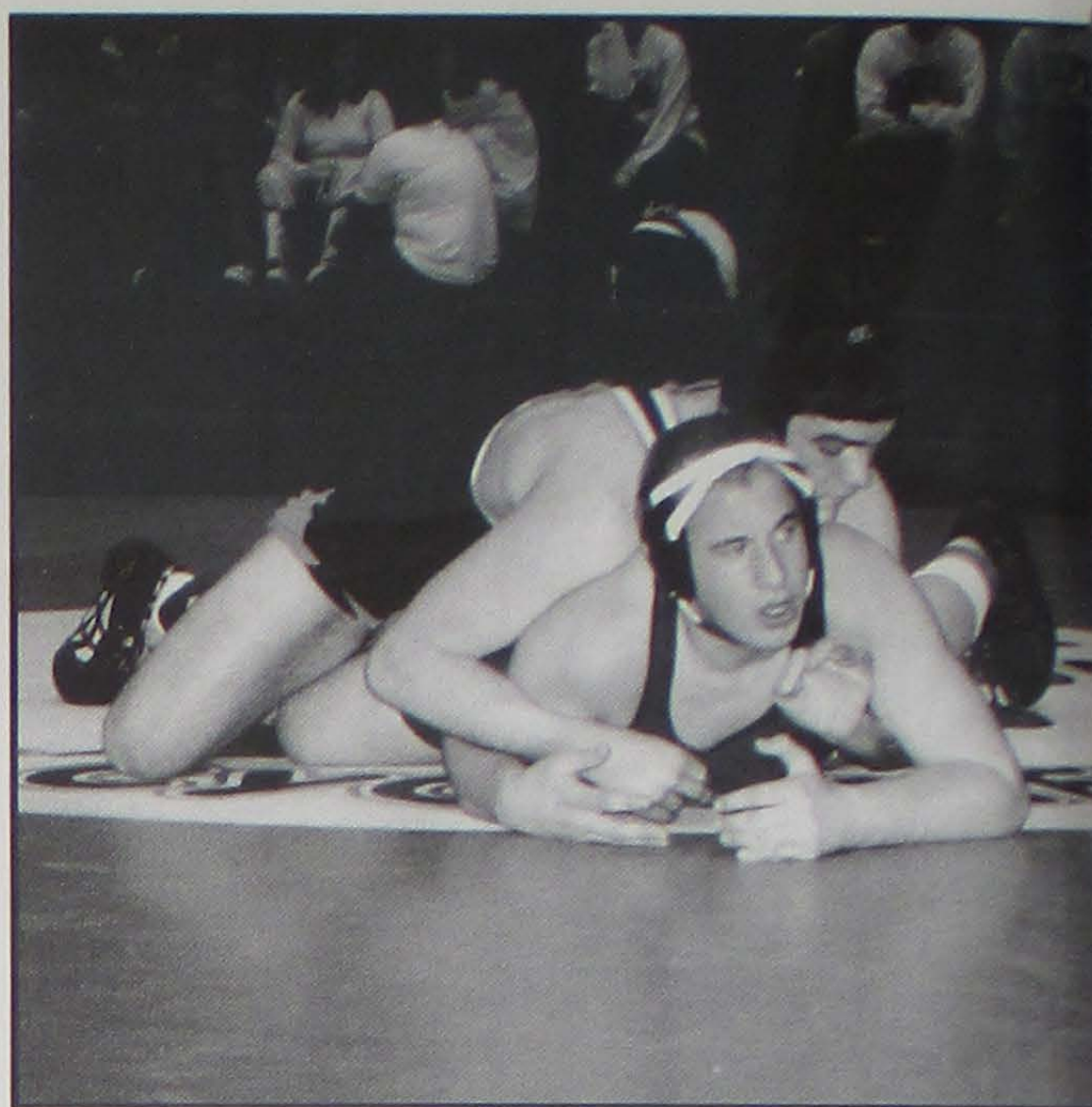
feat considering they were paired against more teams than in previous years. (photo courtesy of Meredith Morgan)



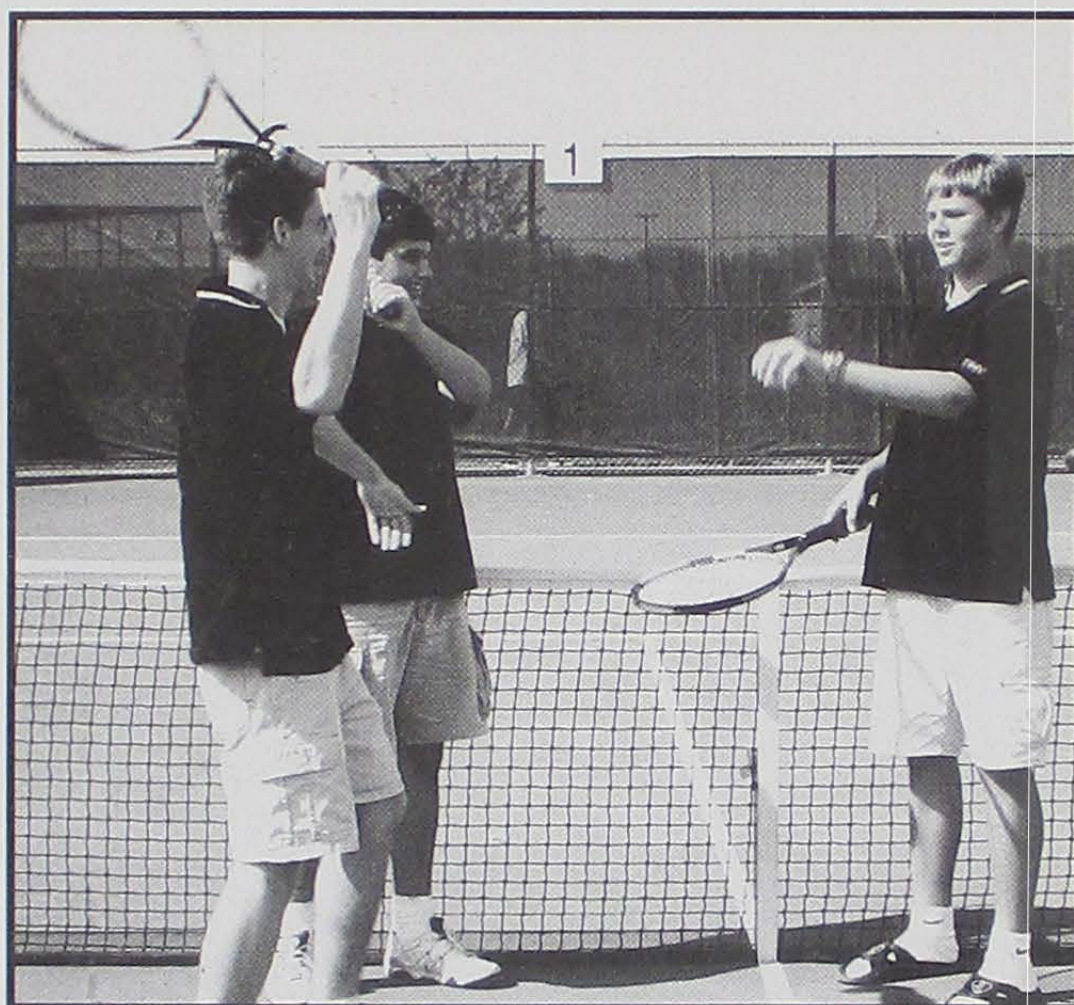
The day after school is out most students are still asleep or at home watching TV at 10 in the morning, but not the environmental club, 100th Green But-

terfly. Juniors **McKinsie Clyde** and **Stacy Heideman** collect and sort through papers to be recycled. (photo by Rita Carter)

Senior **Jon Hoyt** works hard to retrieve possession of the ball from a Dowling player. Ames' hard work and almost undefeated record earned the varsity team a two week trip to Italy to play in a selective tournament. The team prepared for the tough competition in Italy with their fourth place finish in the state tournament. (photo by Sam Dorr)



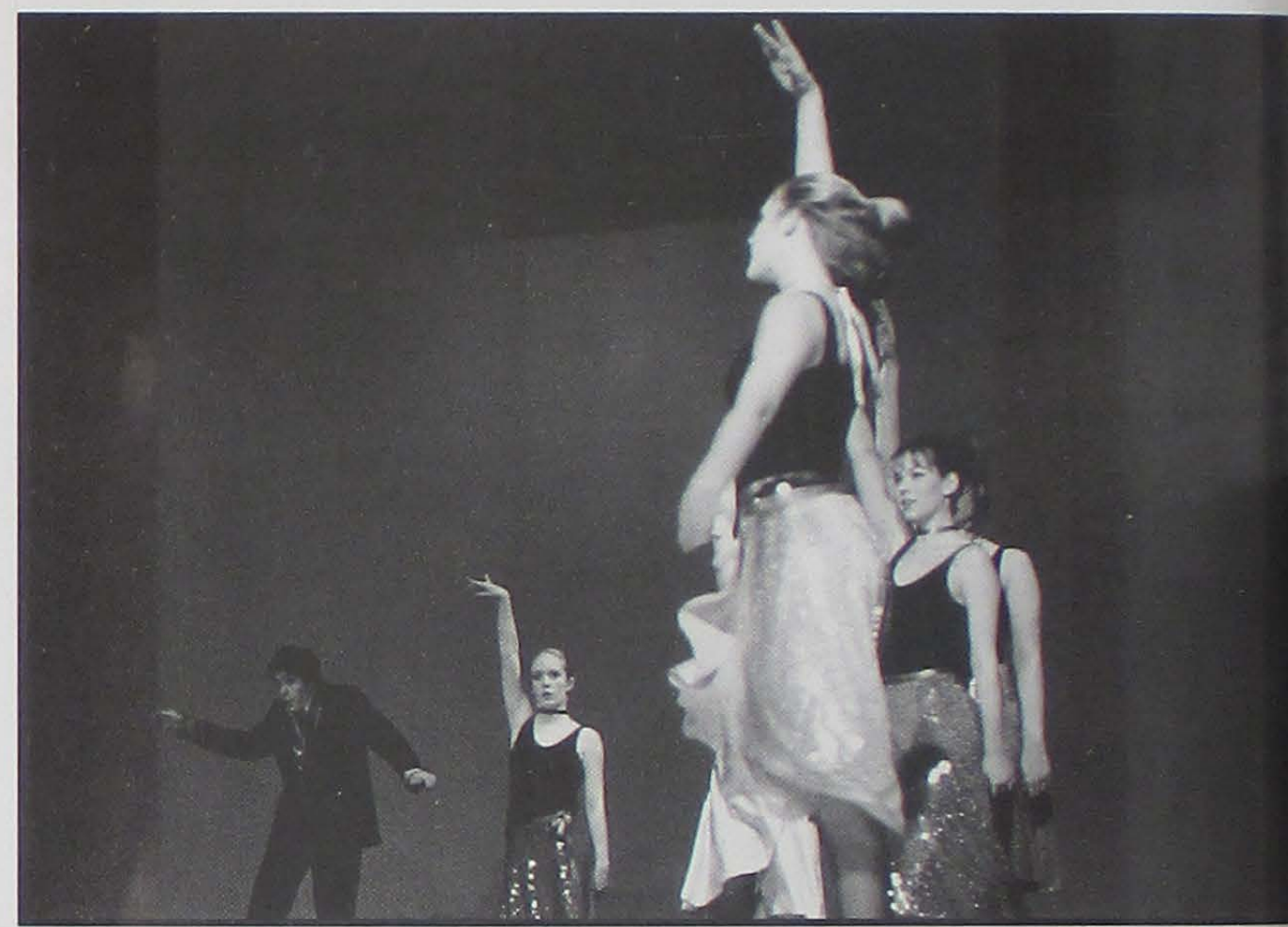
Senior **Joel Sage** triumphantly wrestles tling meet. Sage was able to pin h against his opposition during a wres- opponent. (photo by Rita Carter)



Showing that tennis isn't always hard work, sophomores **Aaron Myers, Evan Hernstadt, and Chris Lueth** goof off before a meet. "We

had more fun being with our friends than we did playing the game," said freshman **Mark Norris**. (photo by Beth Peterson)

Sophomores **Katie Adam** and **Molly Schram**, and freshmen **Laura Parkin** and **Jenny Cummings** passionately play along with the seniors during "Guppie Initiation." "The experience was humiliating, but it was worth it, and I'm looking forward to my chance to initiate underclassmen when I'm a senior," Adam said. Every year seniors take great pride in thinking of embarrassing situations for the newcomers to carry out in front of the varsity football players. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



Juniors **Jim VanFleet, Elissa Thompson, and Erica Lynn**, and sophomore **Jessie Baker**, jive to the theme song from Peter Dunn during junior **Emily Nau's** terpsichore dance, "The World is

Quite Enough." Terpsichore provided ad- vanced modern dance students to showcas- their choreography talents. (photo by Je- Alexander)

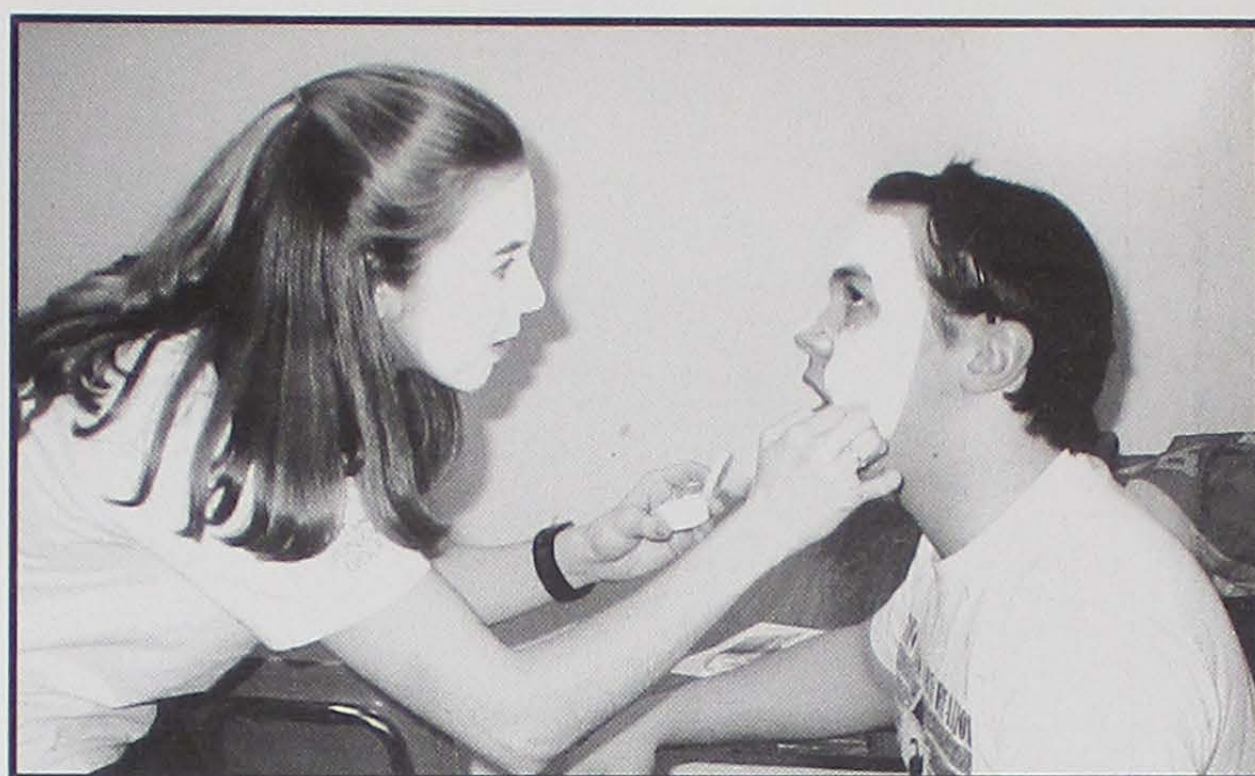


Members of the Madrigal Singers chuckle over a joke made during the play performed by the unkept and improper beggars. The night included a three course dinner, a play, an orchestral ensemble, a magician, period style dancing, and, lastly, a concert performed by the vocalists. Complete in full costumes, the singers also performed at school, nursing homes, churches and the Ames Middle School. To celebrate a job well done, the singers, beggars, dancers, and everyone else involved took part in a pizza dinner after the last performance. For the first year ever, the Madrigal singers hung up their delicate lords and ladies costumes for a jazzier approach to music. After the Madrigal performance was over, the singers pulled together to form Ames High's first Jazz Choir. (photo by Sam Dorr)



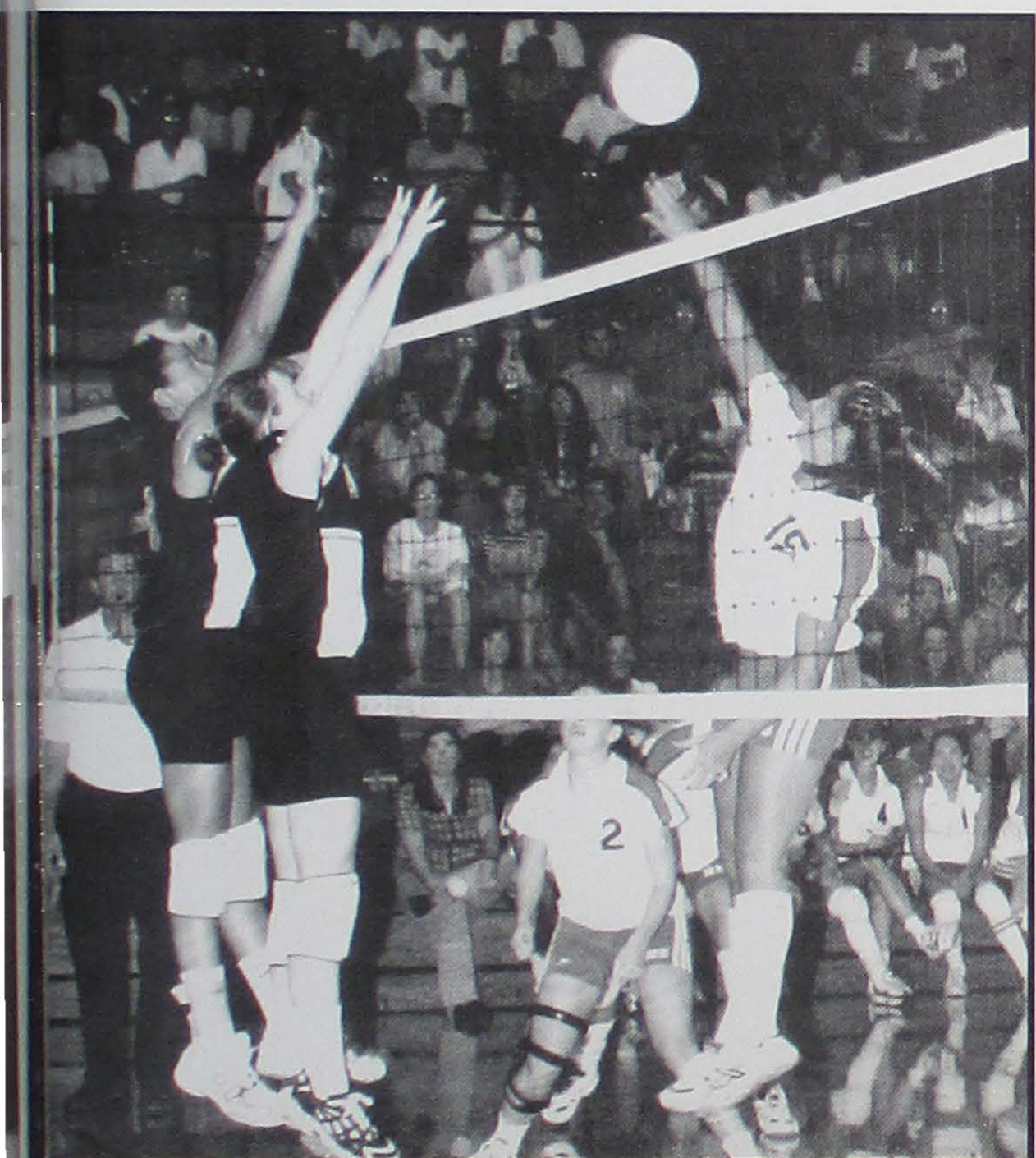
Sophomore **Jason Clark** concentrates on the puck while he dribbles it toward goal. Clark used fancy footwork to

compliment his expert dribbling skills while handling the puck. (photo by Melisse Owen)



Using careful precision, sophomore **Sarah Beisser** paints the face of sophomore **Jon Russell** in preparation for the mime division of the District Speech Con-

test. The two, along with two other students, received a Division I Rating on their performance. (photo by courtesy of Speech Club)



Juniors **Erin Martin** and **Jessica Kiyon** jump simultaneously in an attempt to block the volleyball. Martin

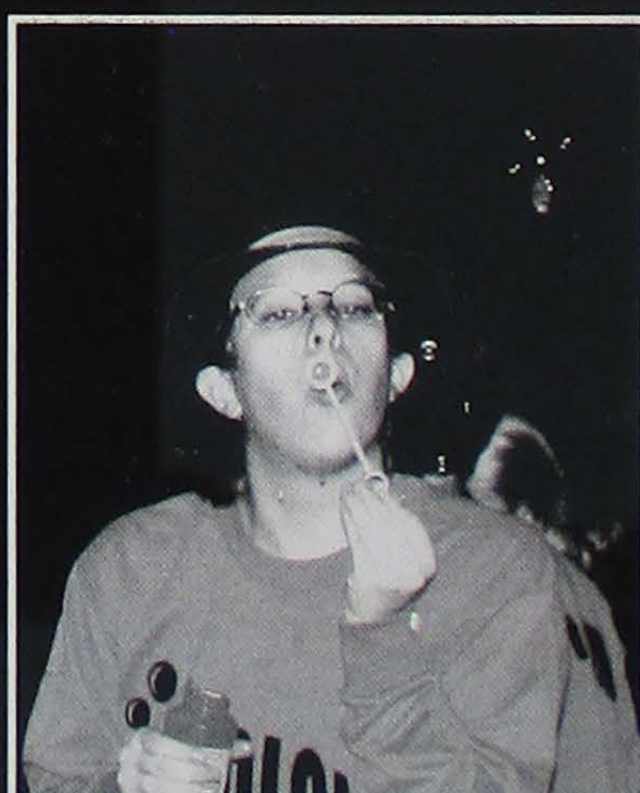
and Kiyon, along with the rest of their team, played against Marshalltown. (photo by Amy Chung)



"Although I was unable to attend the year-book photograph, I would like to share with all viewers the three rules of fight club. Unfortunately, due to the number one rule, not much club information can be divulged. Rule 1: Don't talk about

Fight Club. Rule 2: When initiated, fight the leader (me). Rule 3: When somebody says to stop, stop (unless you are me). If you would like to join the club contact my agent," fight club founder **Brad Pitt** said. (photo by Lauren Ledet)

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One at a Time

What would happen if I said hello?

I don't know him.

The thought comes, the moment passes,

My feet continue in rhythm down the hall.

Past that clarinet player.

Why am I so afraid of looking into a new face?

Why do I avert my eyes?

Does the hand that reaches out always get slapped?

Have I met everyone I could possibly want to know?

Past that guy in my biology class.

Face by face,

one at a time, we dismiss the people

Who share our hallways

as we search only for our friends.

Past that high jumper.

Every person we see

is a possible friend.

Every greeting we give or receive

makes the day brighter.

Past that girl who won the speech contest.

Look at these faces

One at a time

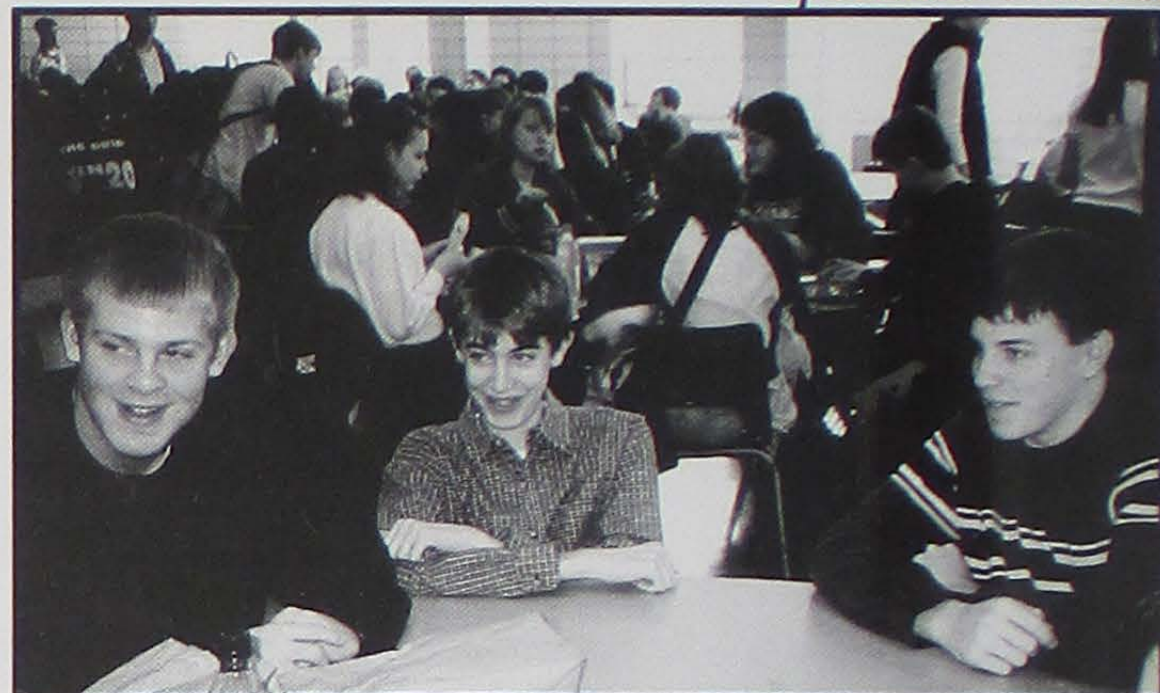
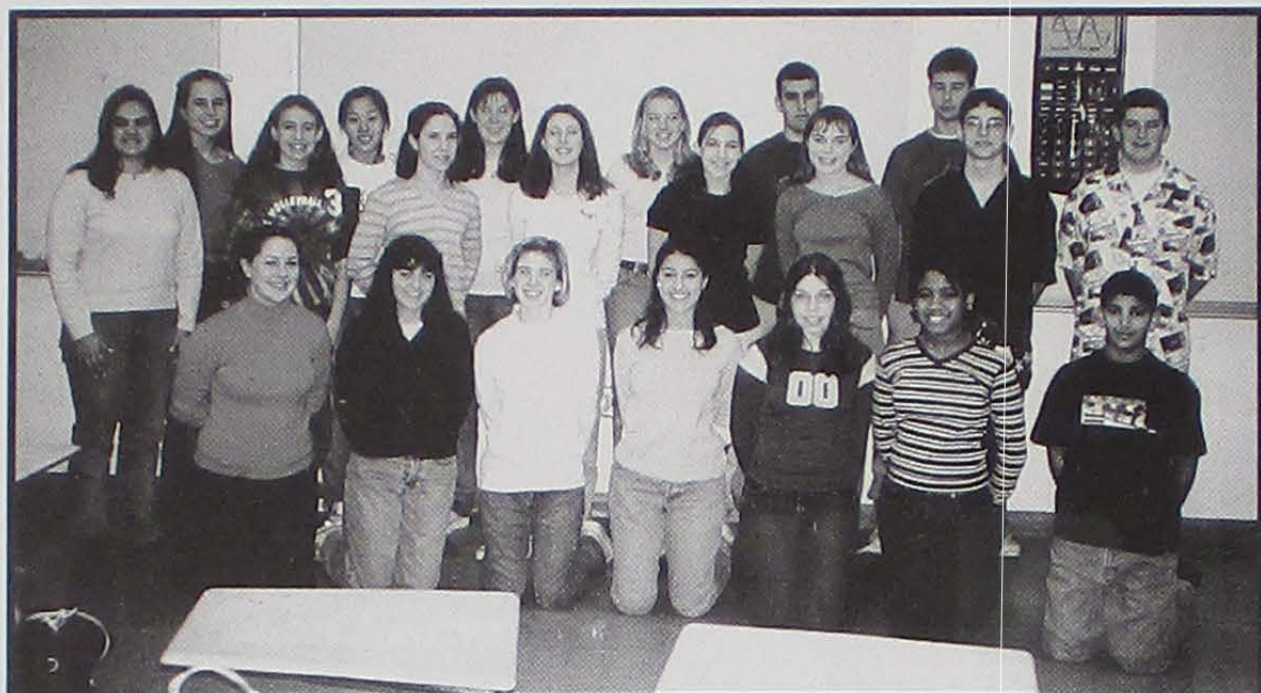
and know them.

-senior Kristin Niehof

FRESHMEN

You freshmen were like weeds. You seemed to sprout up where I least expected it. Everywhere I turned, I saw a new face that wasn't there yesterday. At that, I thought you'd completely wipe out all of us upperclassmen by the end of the year. However, I hate to admit this, but a few of you freshmen actually started to grow on me. I saw a lot of potential in your class and I knew you could live up to it. Don't pay any attention to my bitterness. I was simply envious of your lighter homework load and that you could use the excuse, "I'm a freshman," and get away with anything. Trust me, you will feel the same way about next year's freshmen, and then they'll start to grow on you... Stick to your goals, don't give us upperclassmen any trouble next year and soon it'll be your senior year and you'll blossom into your full potential.

by Jennifer Alexander



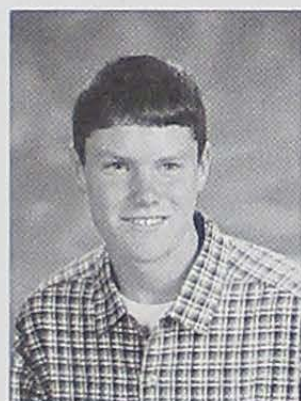
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Freshmen **Tom Kiliper**, **Charles Theesfield** and **Evan Sengbusch** listen intently to a joke at lunch. "Most days it can be extremely crowded, but it is still a good chance to have time to talk with my friends," Theesfield said. Even though

the cafeteria is always busy, students still find the opportunity to chat with friends at their table as well as people at other tables after they finish their meals. (photo by Julie Song)

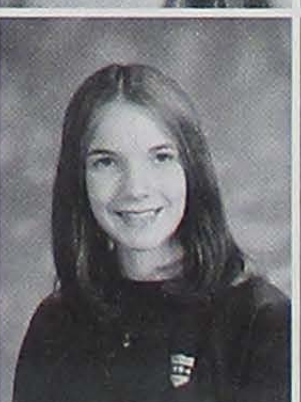
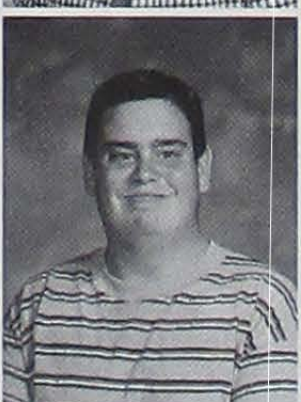
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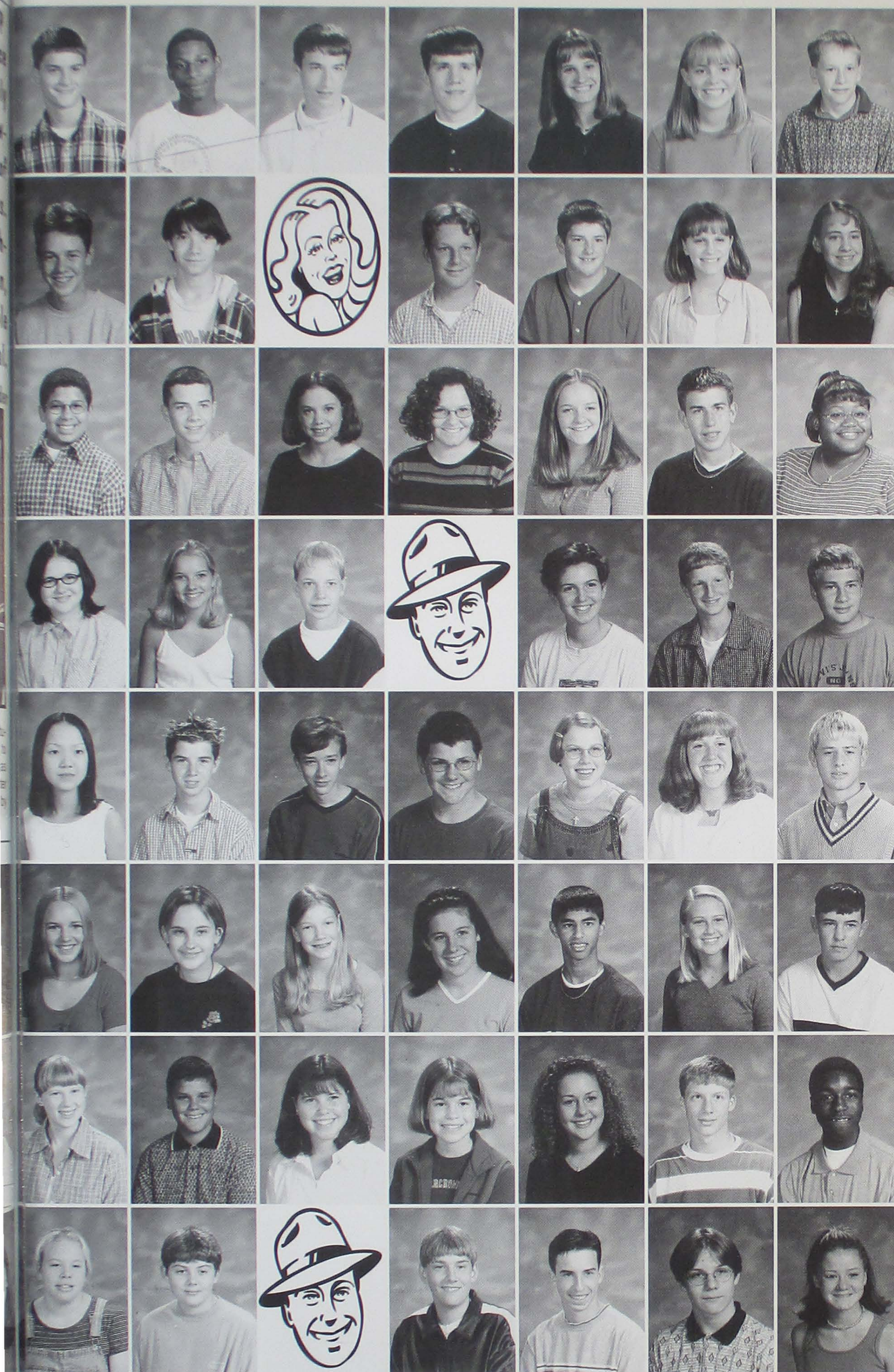


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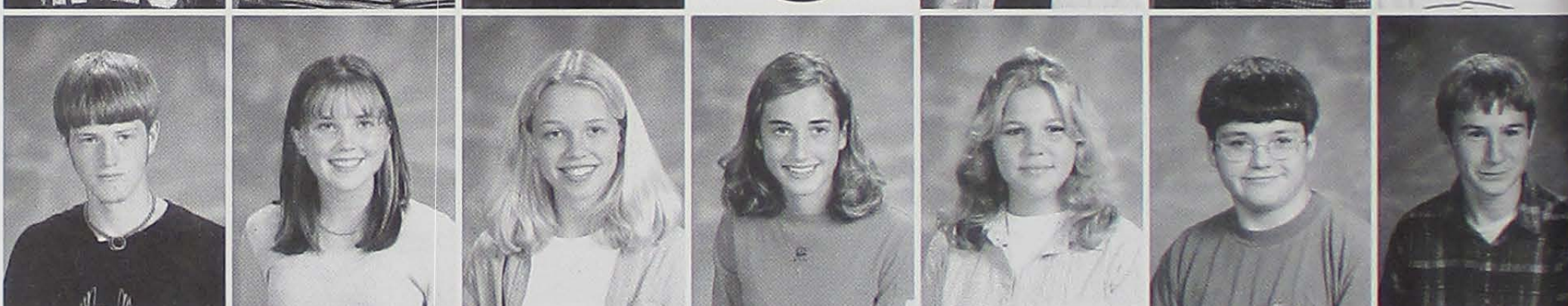
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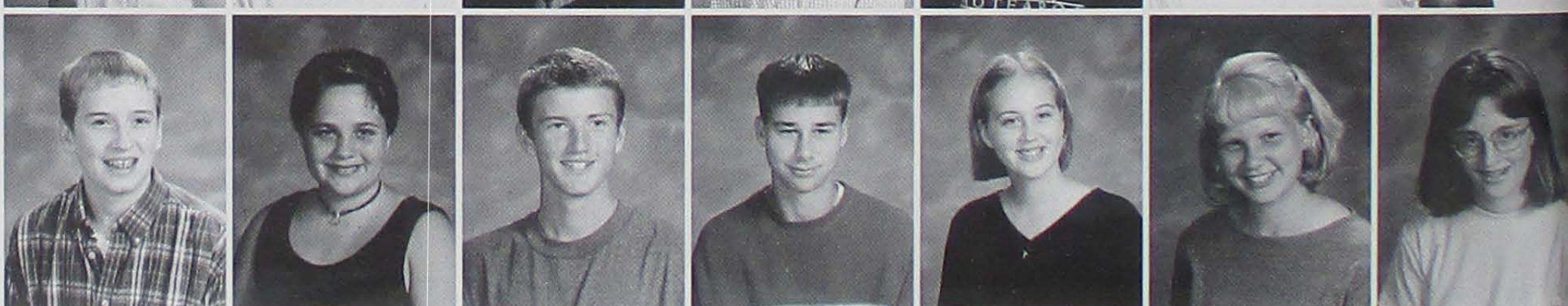
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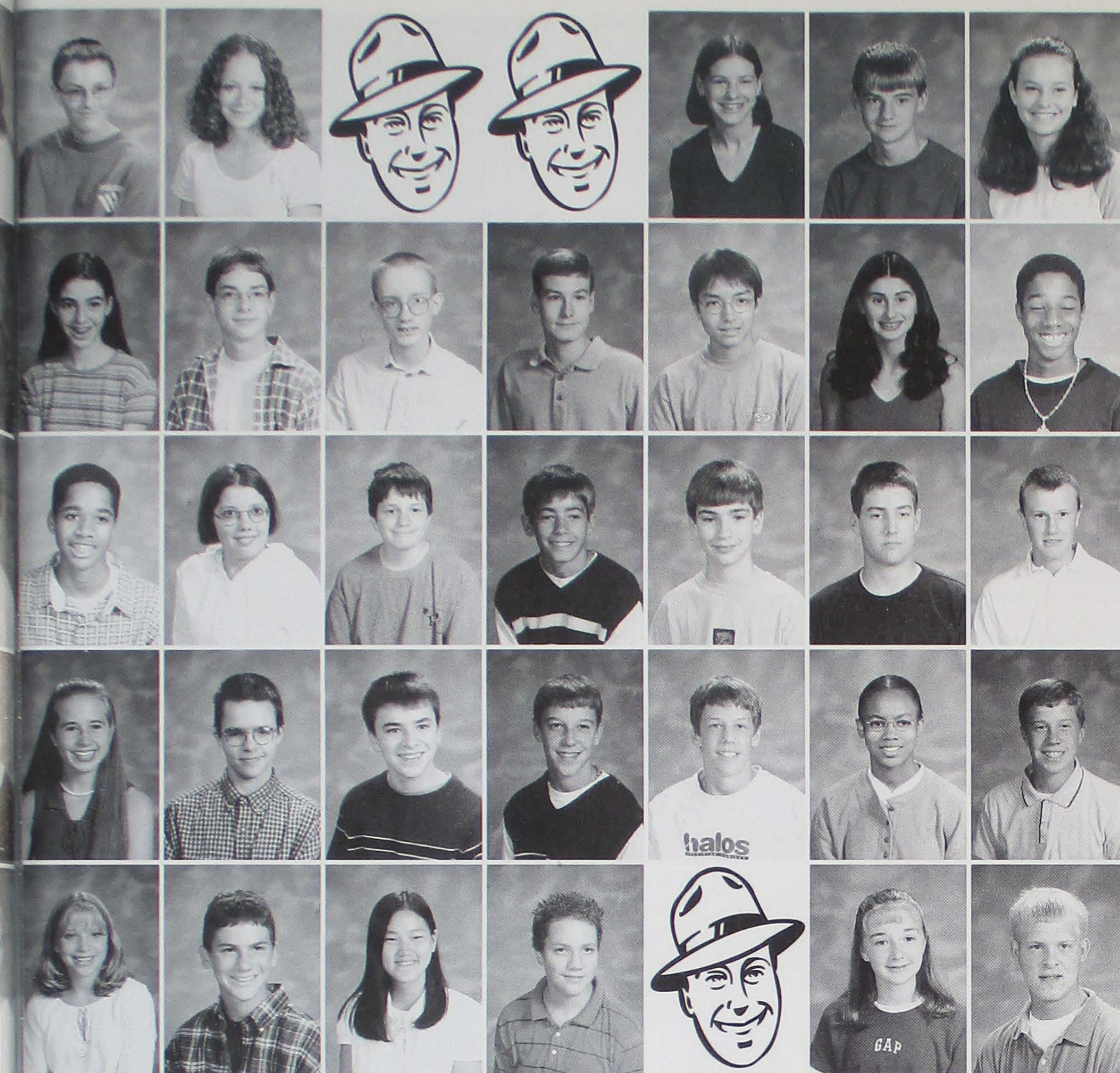


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Freshmen **Melissa Wonder**, **Angie Linduska** and **Carolyn Wilson** doll up for the camera. The girls spent their free time

on the weekends dressing up and giving each other make-overs. (photo courtesy of Carolyn Wilson)



Freshman **Rachel Lange** marches with the baton twirlers before the first home football game against Valley. The twirlers used dance and baton handling skills to

provide a visual to go along with the music of the marching band. This year, the freshmen made up half of the twirling squad. (photo by Beth Peterson)

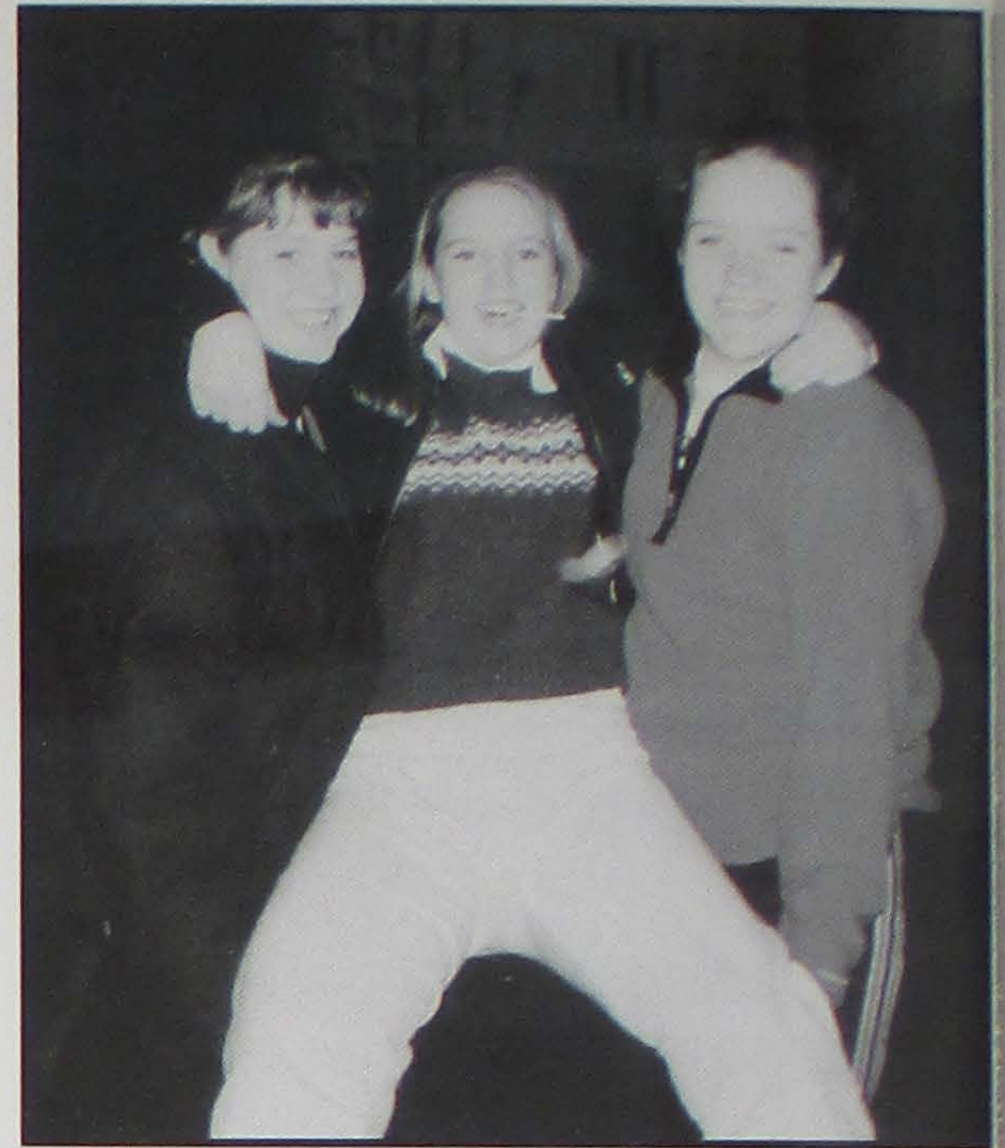




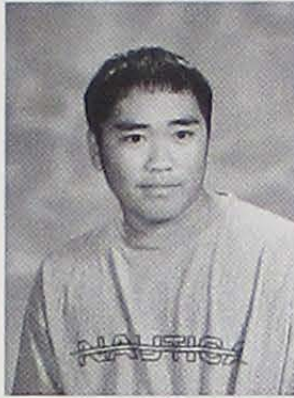
Freshman **Kaylie Engelen** giggles as she watches a varsity volleyball game. Players, coaches and cheerleaders were some

of the the only people who were allowed on the courts during the games. (photo by Melisse Owen)

Freshmen **Rachel Wakefield** and **Lauren Burke** carry freshman **Mikki Colbert** through the halls of the school to the trainers office in order to keep her off of her faulty knee. Colbert was unable to finish her basketball season due to juvenile arthritis in her right knee. Many students suffered from injuries and had to spend much of their season in the trainers office. (courtesy of Ashley Drapal)



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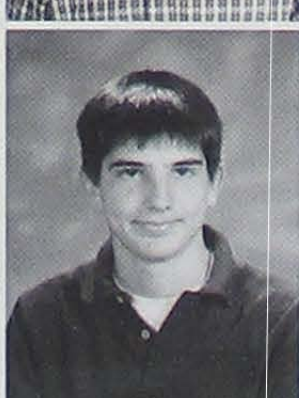
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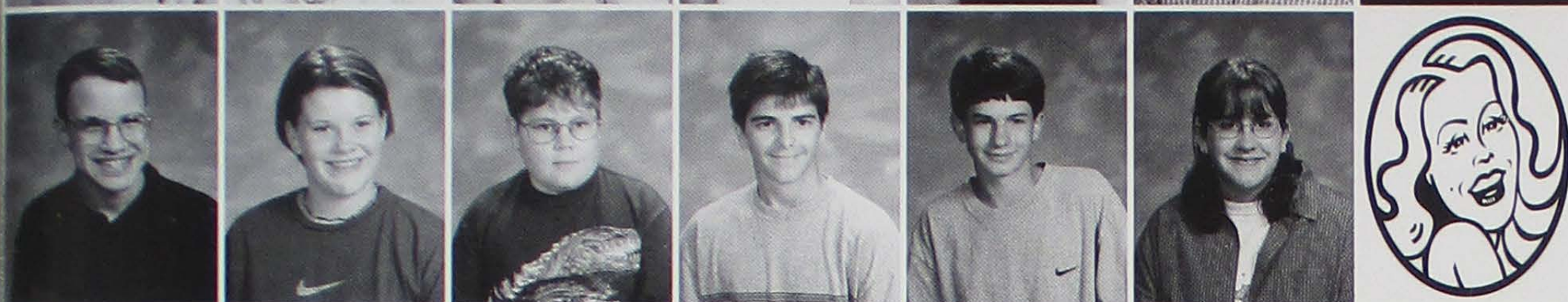




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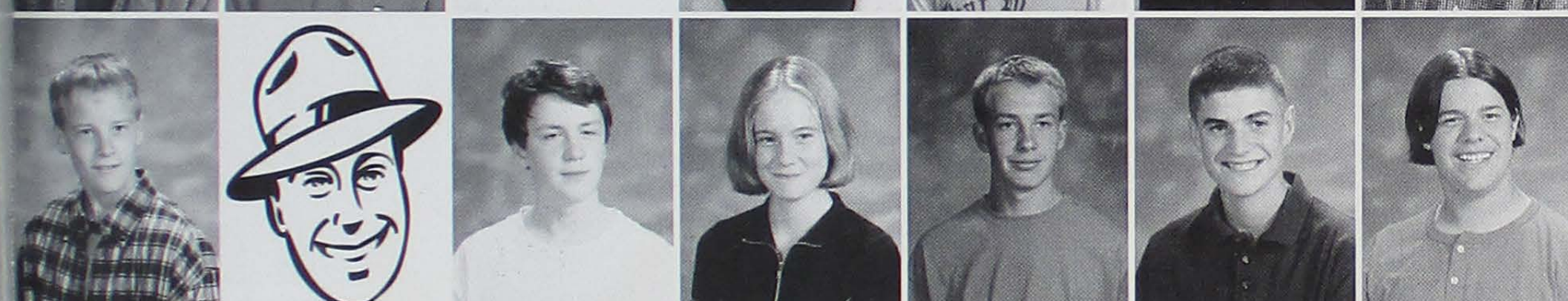
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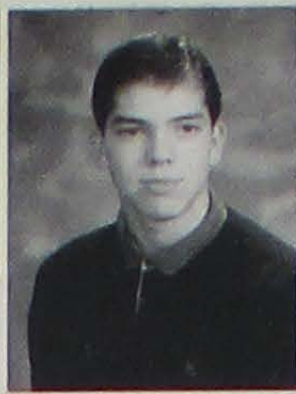
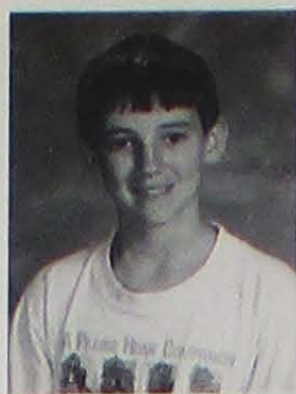


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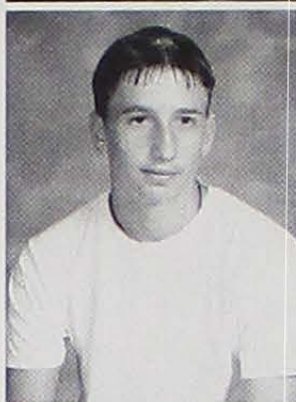
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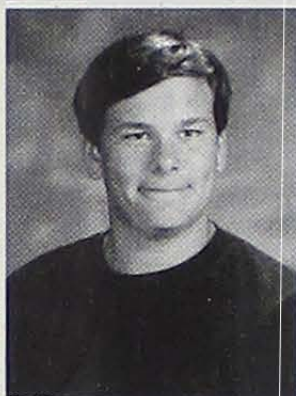
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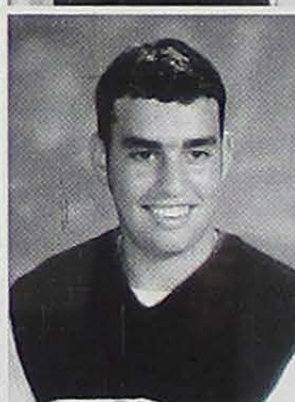
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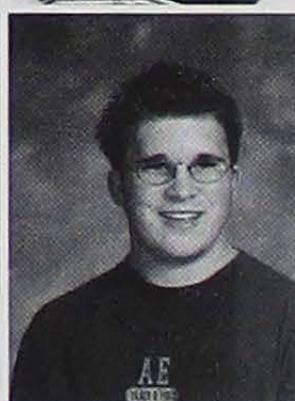
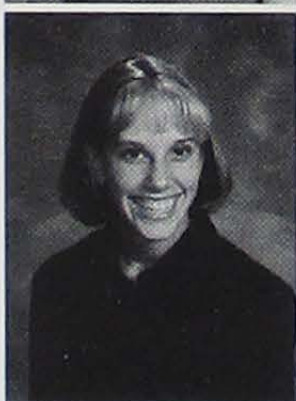
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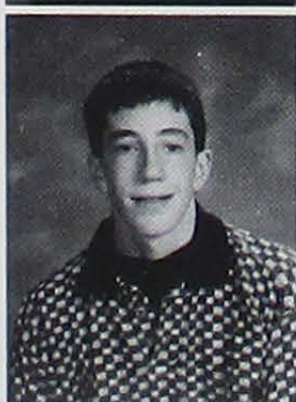
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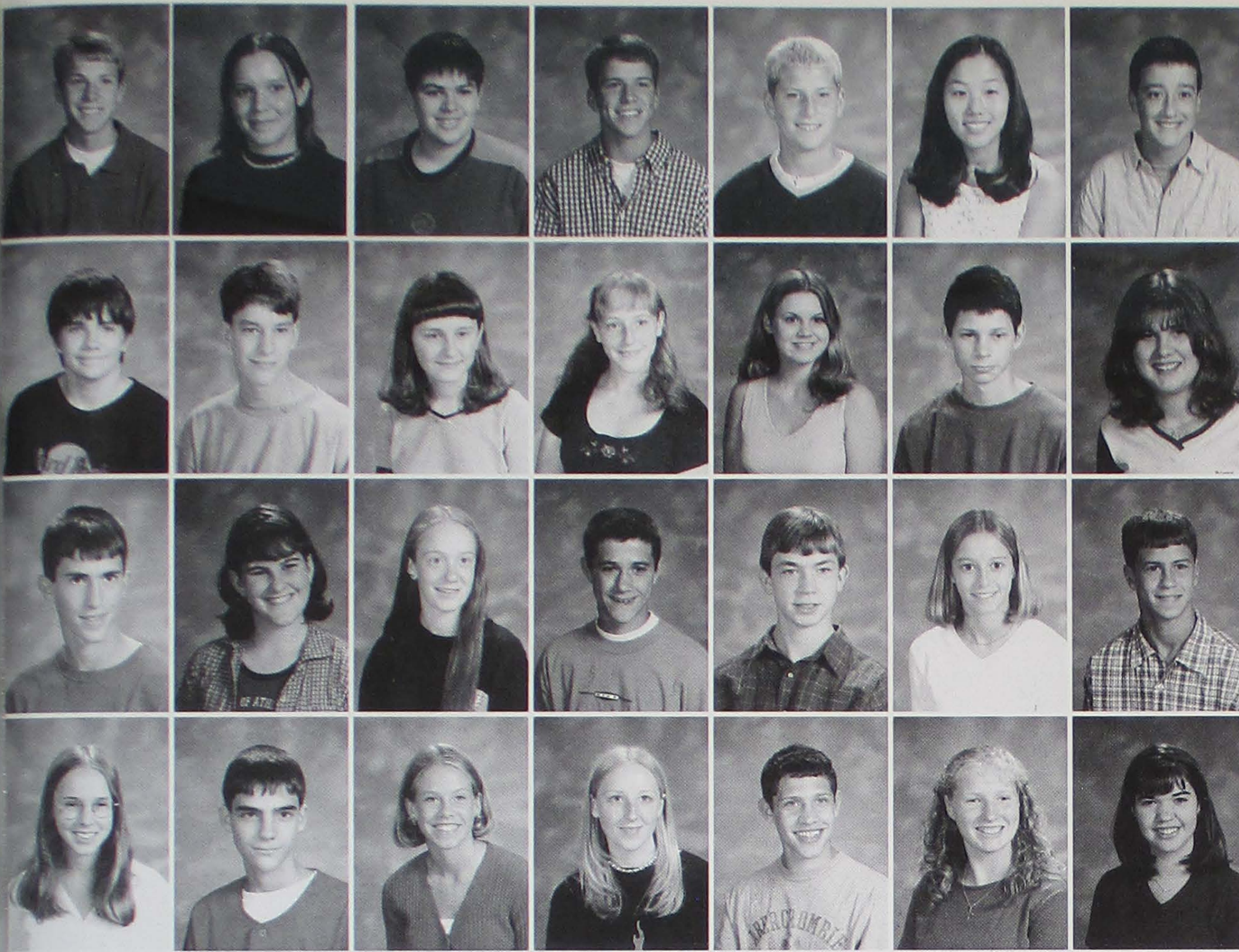


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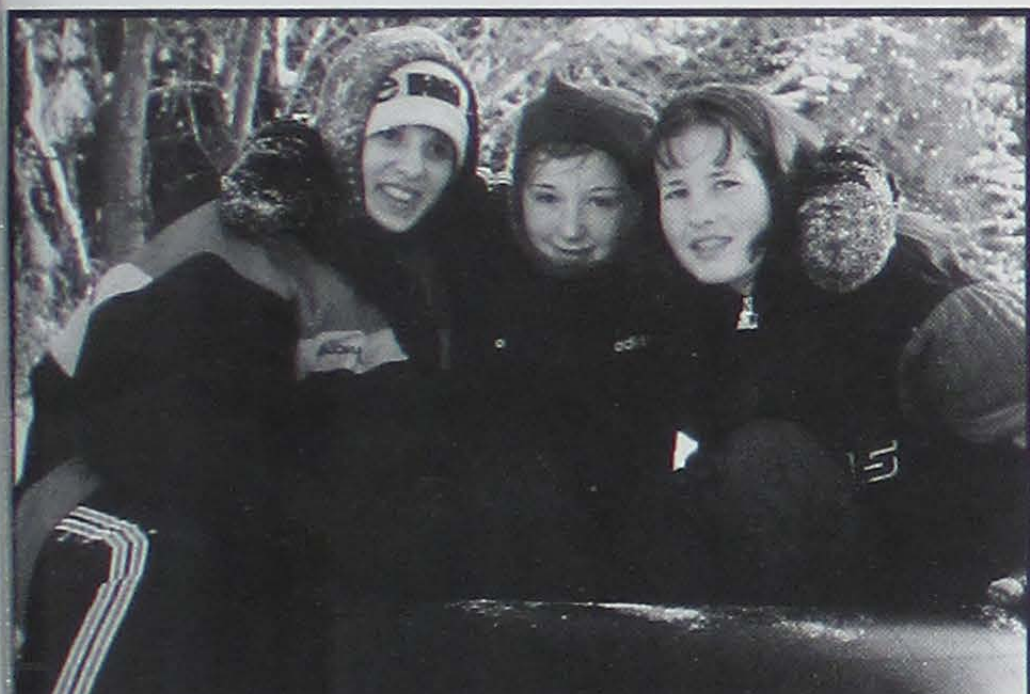


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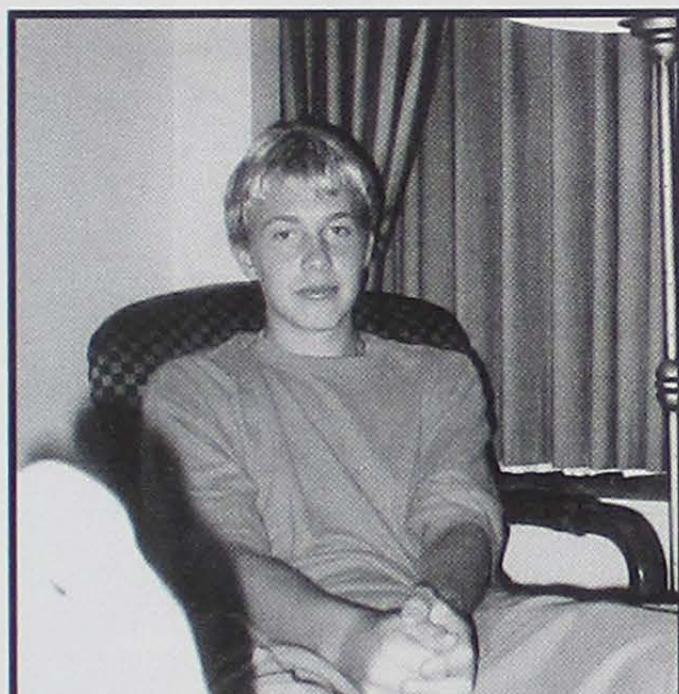
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Freshmen **Megan Anderson, Shannon Kerper** and **Julia Reading** enjoy tubing on a weekend. It was a good chance to get away from school and have some fun. (courtesy of Julia Reading)

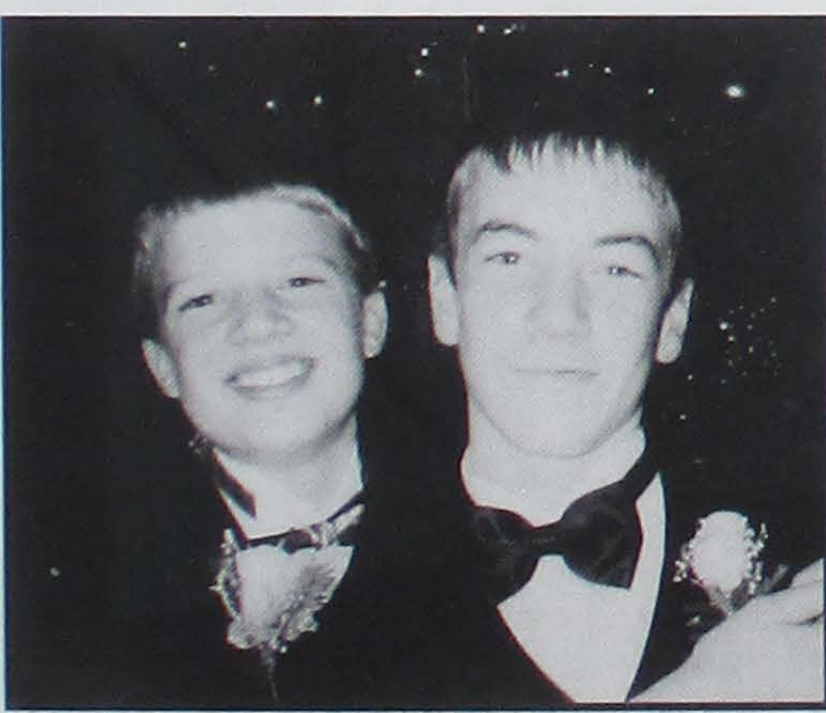


Freshman **Andrew Nelson** relaxes in a hotel while on a shopping trip to the Mall of America. (courtesy of Lauren Burke)

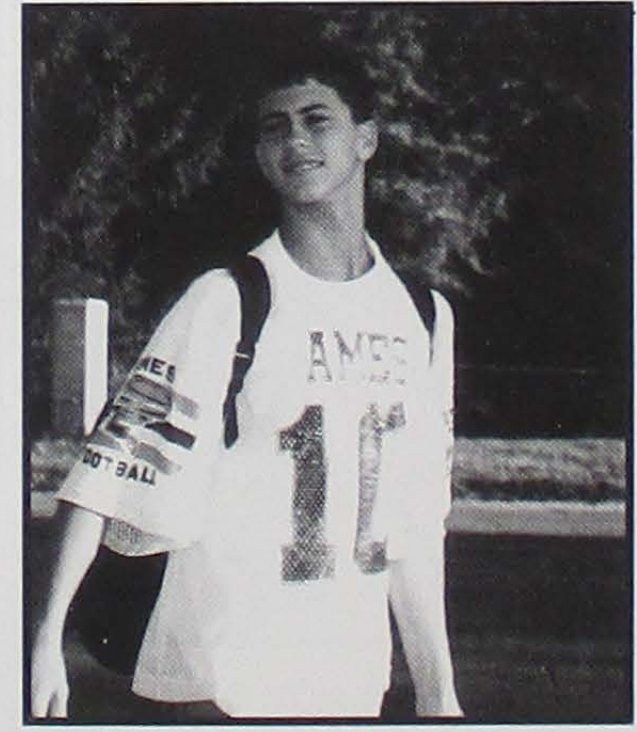


Freshmen volleyball players, **Mary Houk, Rachel Taege,** and **Katherine Beavers,** sit on their Homecoming float. (photo by L. Ledet)

Freshmen servers **Danielle Knutson** and **Rachel Curtis** clean up the tables after the Madrigal Dinner. Everyone had to dress up as characters even though they weren't singers or in the play. (photo by Sam Dorr)



Freshmen **Billy Fennelly** and **Justin McGeeney** pose for a picture at the Winter Formal dance during Winter Madness week. (courtesy of Carolyn Wilson)



Freshmen **Tyler Strodtman** wears his practice jersey on game day to show school spirit. (photo by Lauren Ledet)

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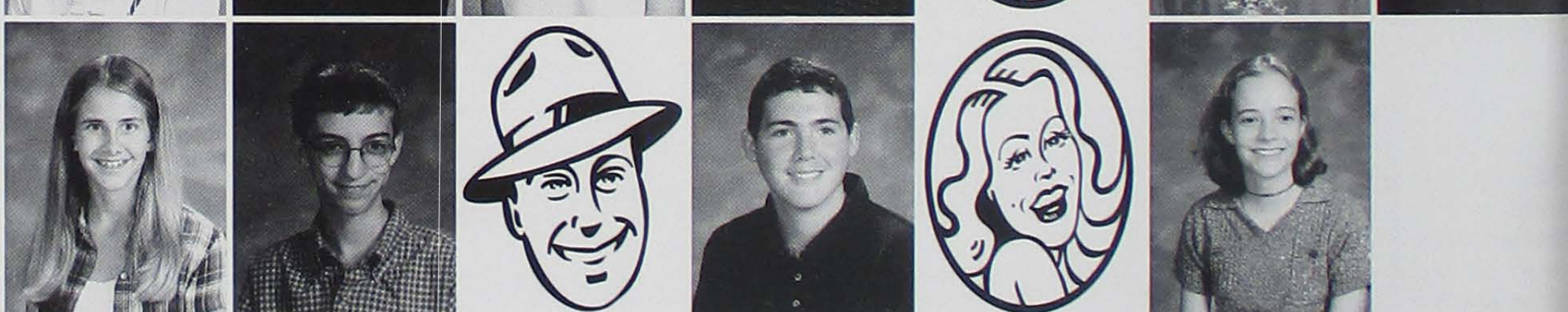
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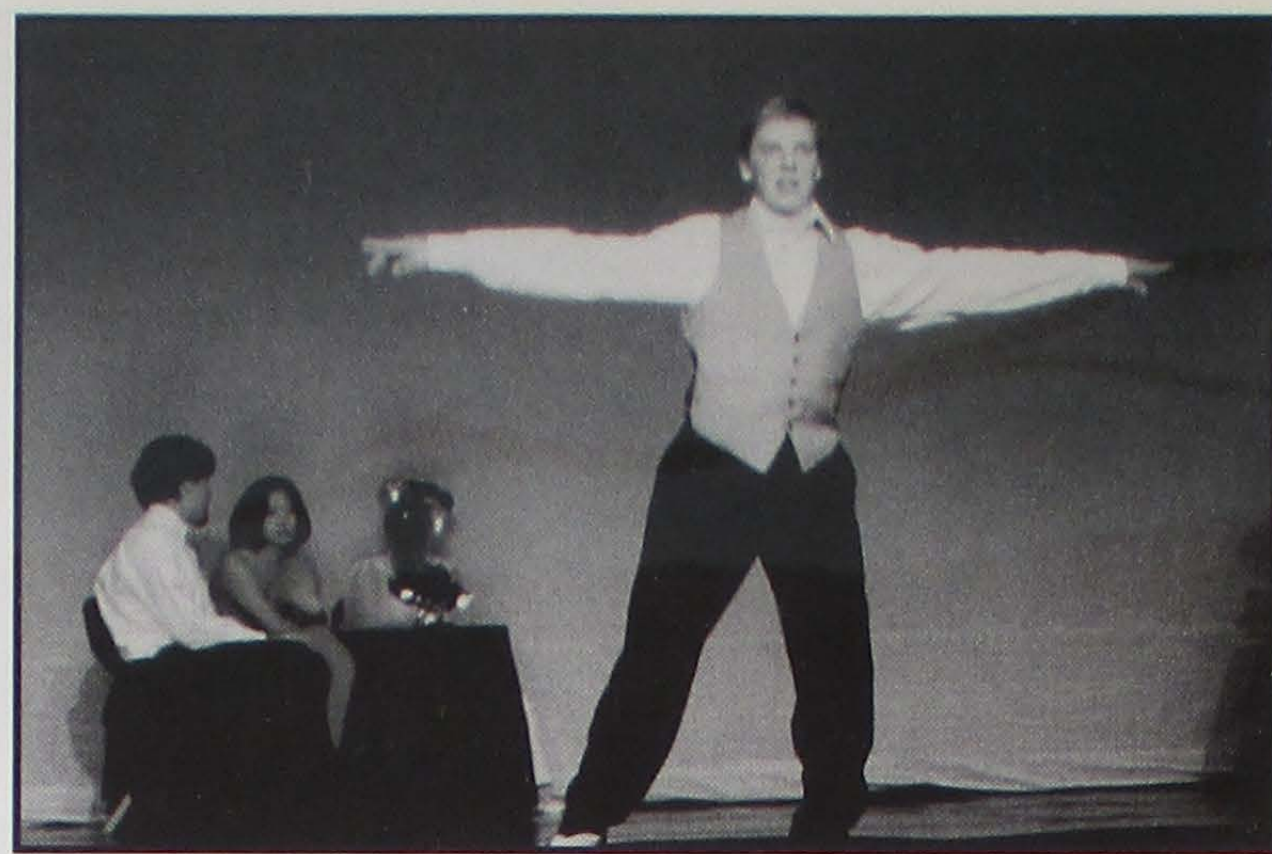


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Not afraid to try something different, freshman **Varinh Kullavongsa** forms her clay into many different shapes, using the extractor to add dimension to her piece during 3-D Art. After creating their own pots from slabs and coils, students got the opportunity to try throwing their own pots on the wheel. Other 3-D art units included art history, jewelry, textiles, marbeling and industrial art. Throughout the year, many of these projects were displayed in the media center display case. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



During his solo in the Terpsichore dance "Almost Paradise," freshman **Adam Rowings** lands a leap. The dance was choreographed by his sister, senior **Hilary Rowings**. "It was nice to have a sibling in my dance because I had a lot

more flexibility that way and was able to teach him the dance early. It was also one less person to call. Adam was an awesome dancer and it was awesome to watch him," H. Rowings said. (photo by Jennifer Alexander)



How many different ways are there to play on a trampoline? Freshmen **Julie McElroy** and **Angie Linduska** had their own favorite way, setting up a sprinkler under their trampoline that would spray

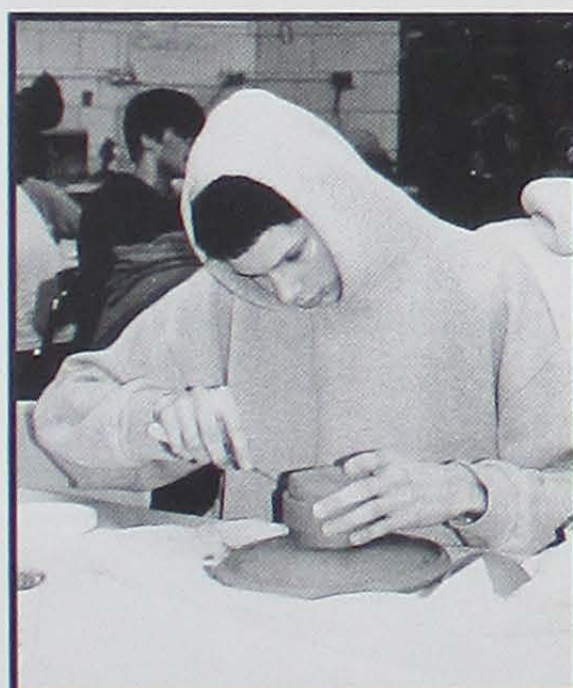
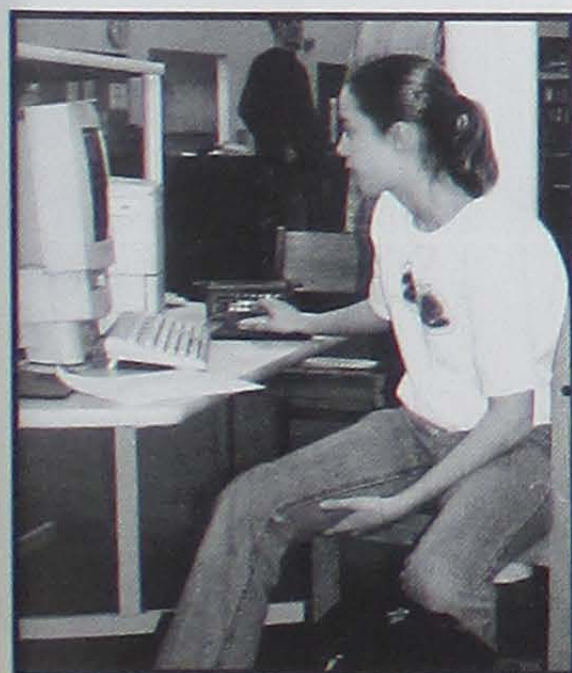
them from underneath. "It was better than a slip n' slide and in the dark better than an amusement park ride," Linduska said of her favorite summer activity. (photo courtesy of Angie Linduska)

Freshman **Lydia Colvin** uses her artistic abilities to create a "dinosaur man" jar in her 3-D Art class. "Using coils to make my pot was rather easy," Colvin said. Colvin, only a freshman, had already taken five art classes during the course of one semester and planned on taking many more. 3-D art was a popular choice with students for their required fine arts credit. (photo by Clark)



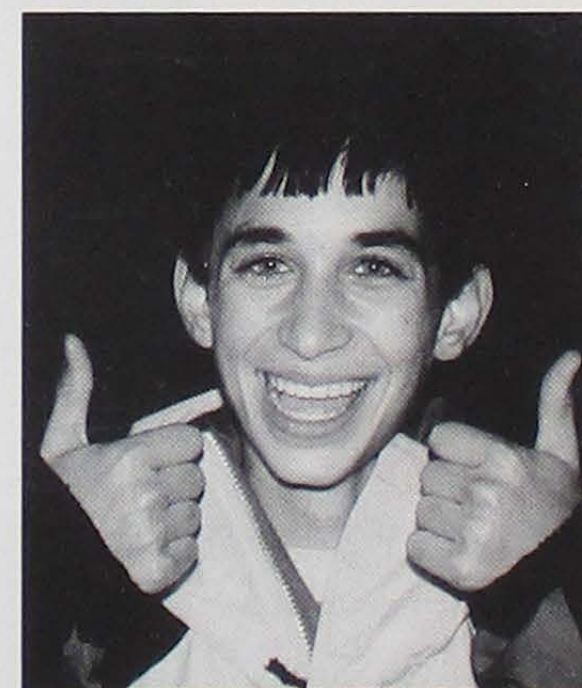
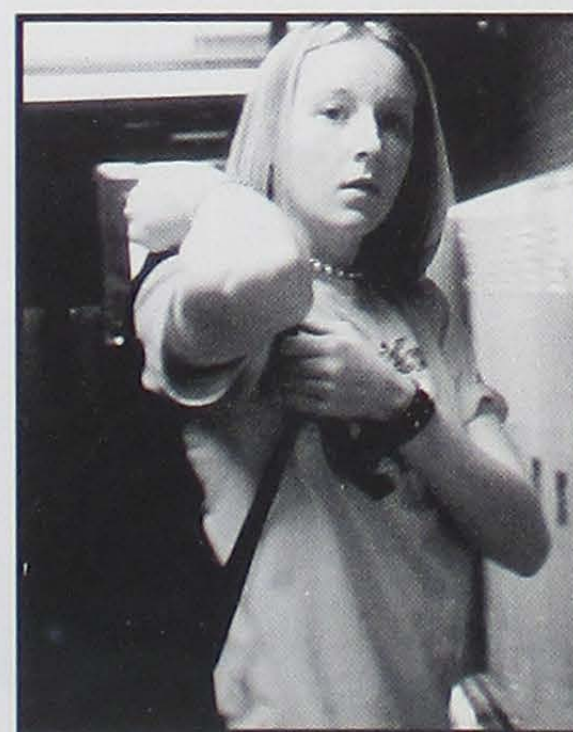
If you could ask your parents any question and know they would tell the truth, what would you ask them?

"Why did you decide to have three children?"
- freshman **Stacy Strodtman**



"Why don't you get better jobs?"
- freshman **Isaac Stenback**

"Why do you like lima beans?"
- freshman **Laura Swan**



"Do you really love me, or do you just put up with me?"
- freshman **Alex Saide**

SOPHOMORES

Were you an upperclassmen? Were you a freshmen?

Did you have open lunch? Could you park in the lot? Were you able to use the excuse of being in a "new school" to get out of homework?

If not, you were a sophomore. Sophomore year may have been the year that seemed to be the least exciting of all our high school years. "We were old enough to move out, old enough to drive, old enough to have jobs, old enough to have kids, but we couldn't go out out lunch," sophomore *Clarissa Spicer* said. To the outside world, we were almost adults and gained certain rights, yet here at school, this didn't seem to be the case. However, despite the aspects of our sophomore year that we would have done differently, there were good points to being a sophomore. "Not being a freshmen was the best part of sophomore year," sophomore *Evan Herrnsstadt* said. Not being a freshmen and adding woe to the lives of juniors and seniors were the best things we got to do during the sophomore year.

by Susie Goldman



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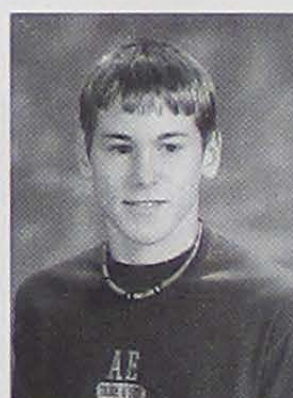
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Sophomores **Andrea Crouse**, **Sara Tamashunas** and **Tony Hayes** pause to strike a pose and smile for the camera in

the midst of their enjoyment at the Winter Formal dance. (photo by Jennifer Alexander)

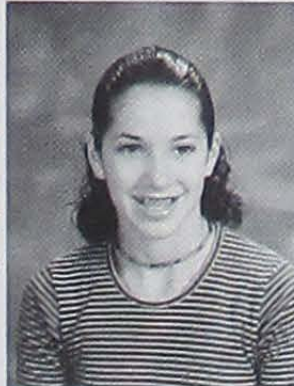
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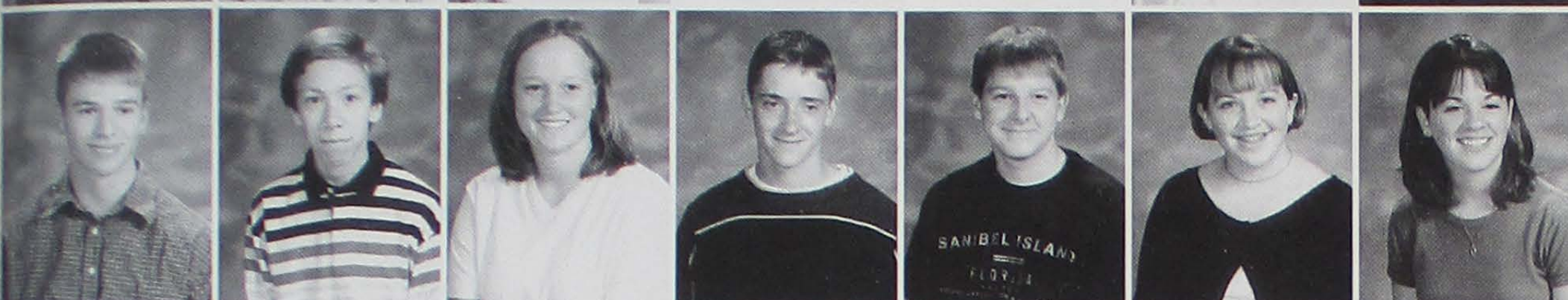




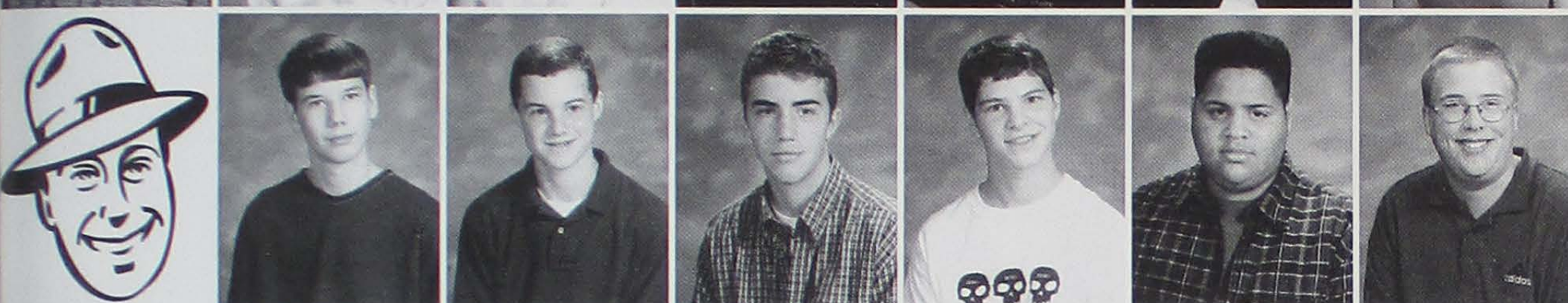
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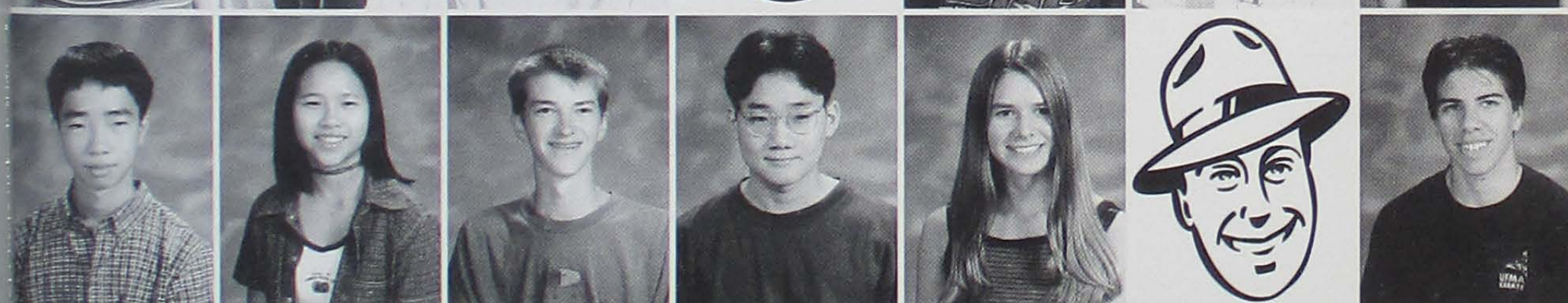
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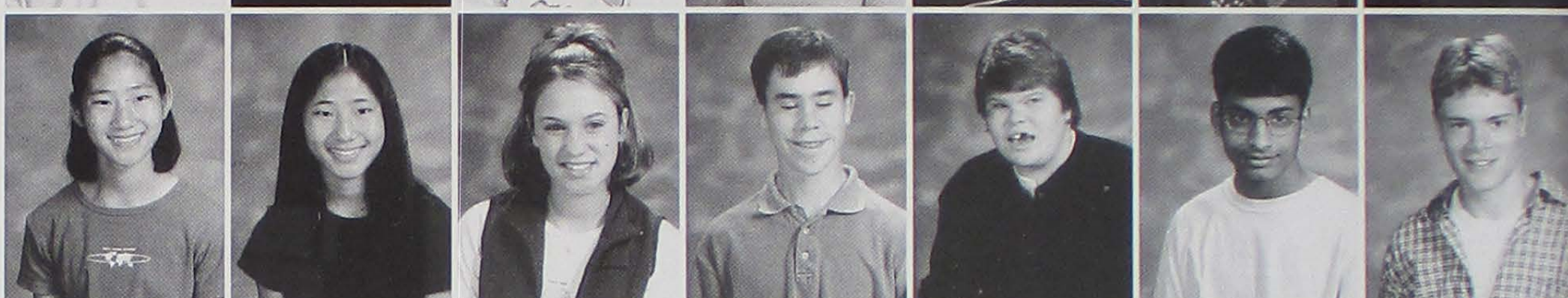
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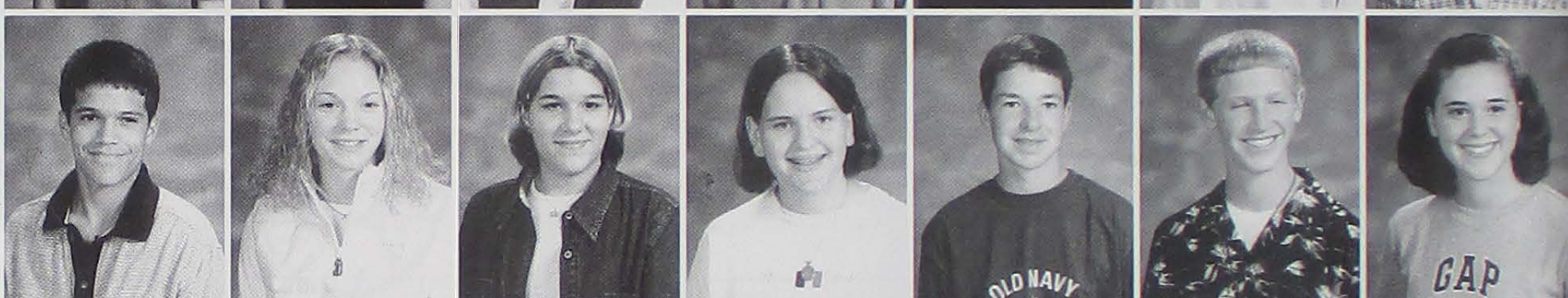
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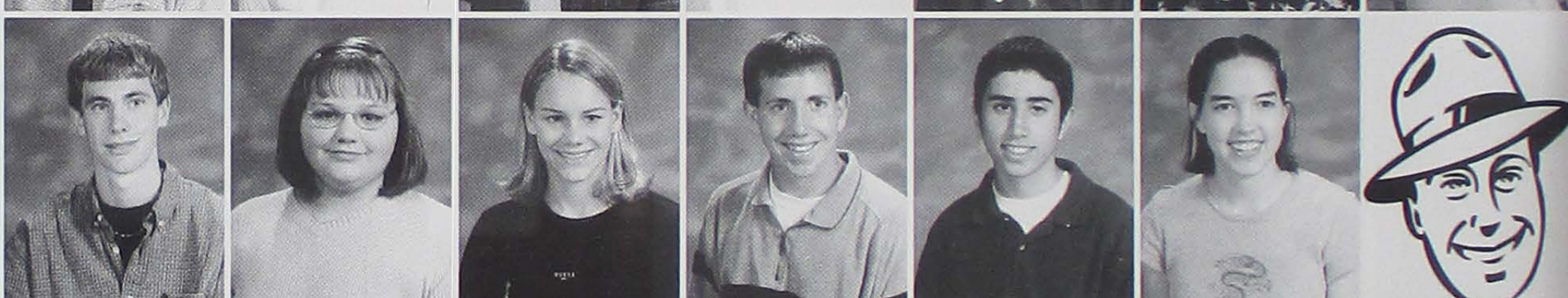
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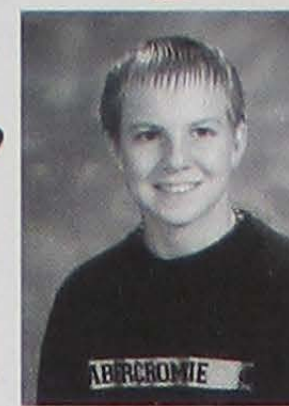


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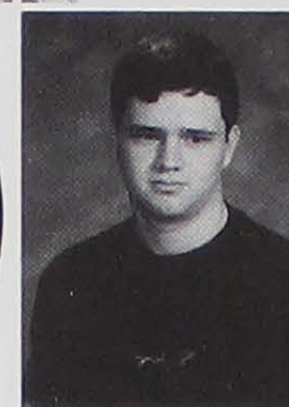
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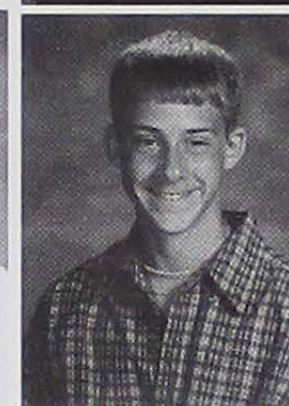
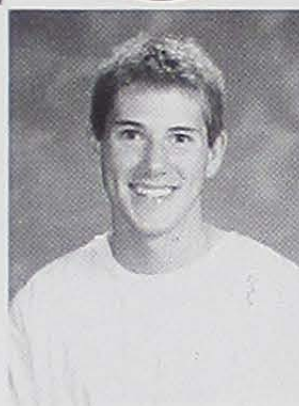
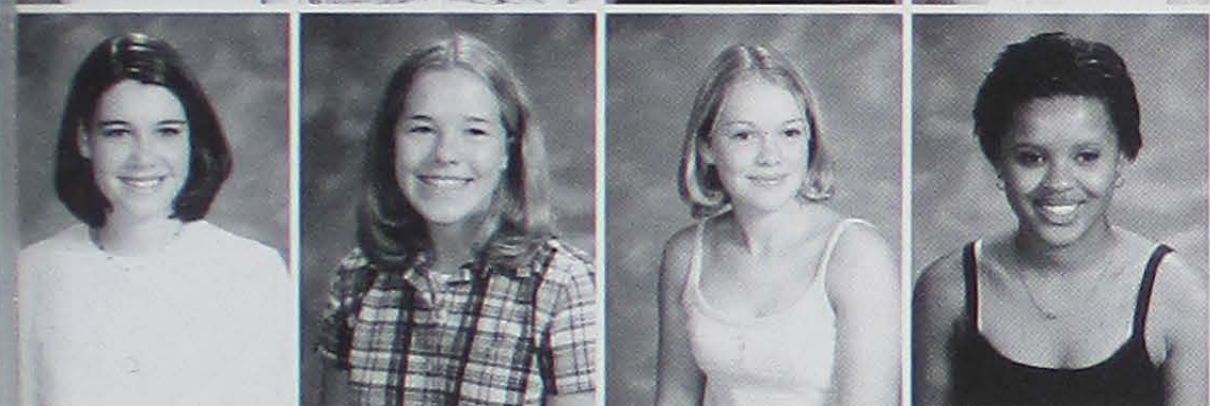
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A Spoonful of Laughter Helps the Stress Go Down



Sophomore **Erica Petersen** concentrates on her 3-D art project. Students in the class were given the opportunity to work with many mediums. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Sophomore **Carrie Samson** laughs at a fellow volleyball player's joke on the way home from an away game. Bus trips, as well as time spent on the court, proved to be a time for team bonding. Although athletes enjoyed participating in their sport, good times and friendships helped motivate students through tough practices. (photo by Melisse Owen)

Girls Just Wanna Have Fun



Sophomores **Kelly McMaken**, **Laura McElherne** and **Rachelle Ruggle** strike a pose to show off their dazzling hairdos and flashy dresses during a New Year's

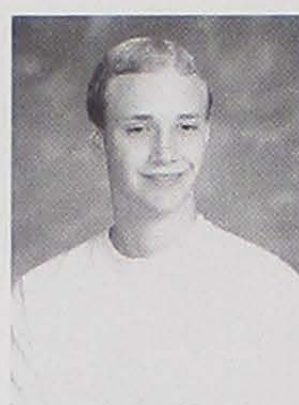
Eve party. Instead of wearing casual attire, the girls decided to ring in the millenium with style. (photo by Jennifer Alexander)

Throughout the year, fun-loving girls found many fun ways to have fun. "I had fun," "I can't remember ever having more fun," and "The only word to describe it was...FUN!" were some of the sentences that many girls said during the fun school year.

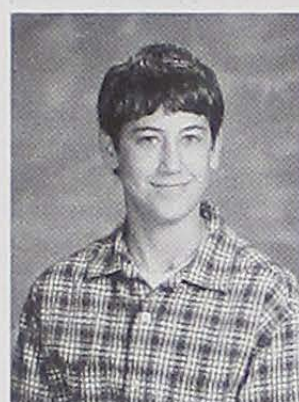
Sophomore **Mandi Crawford** poses with her much laughed-at band instrument. "She had the ugliest, most dented tuba all," junior **Chris Krebs** said. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



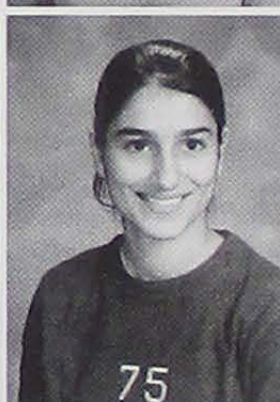
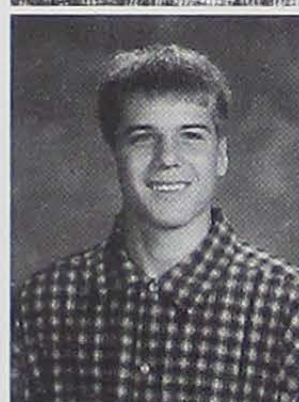
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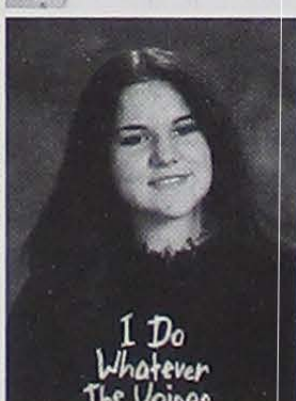
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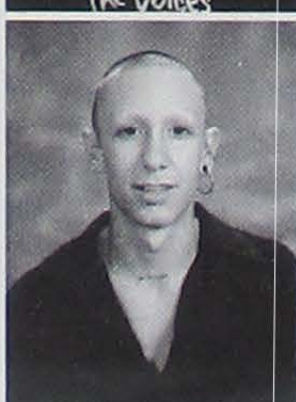
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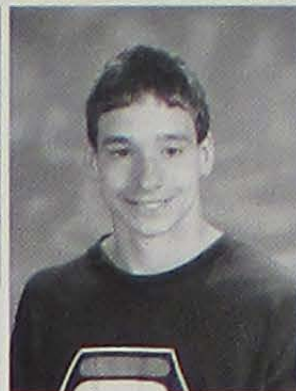
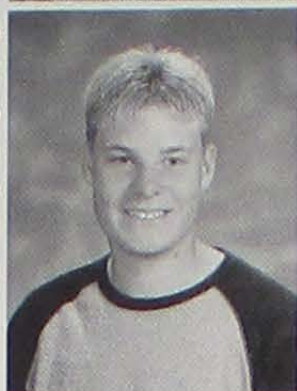
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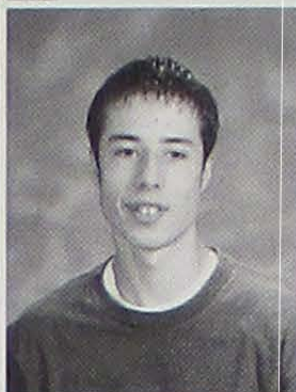
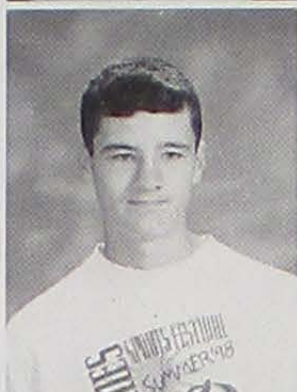
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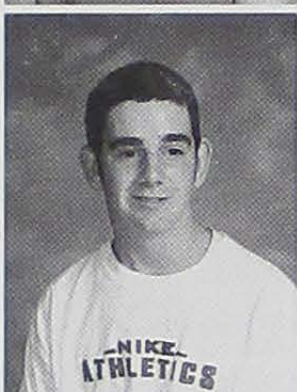
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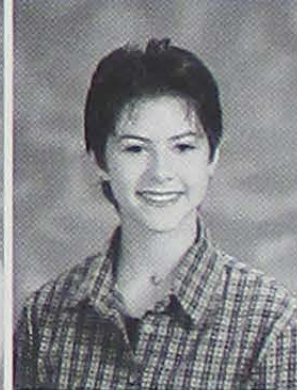
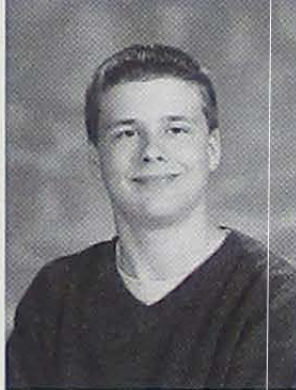
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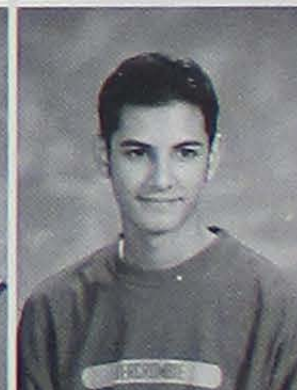
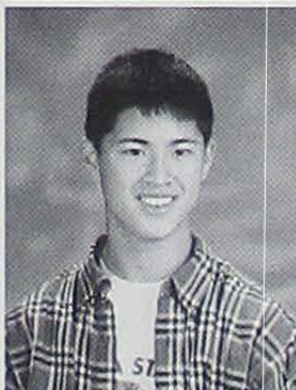
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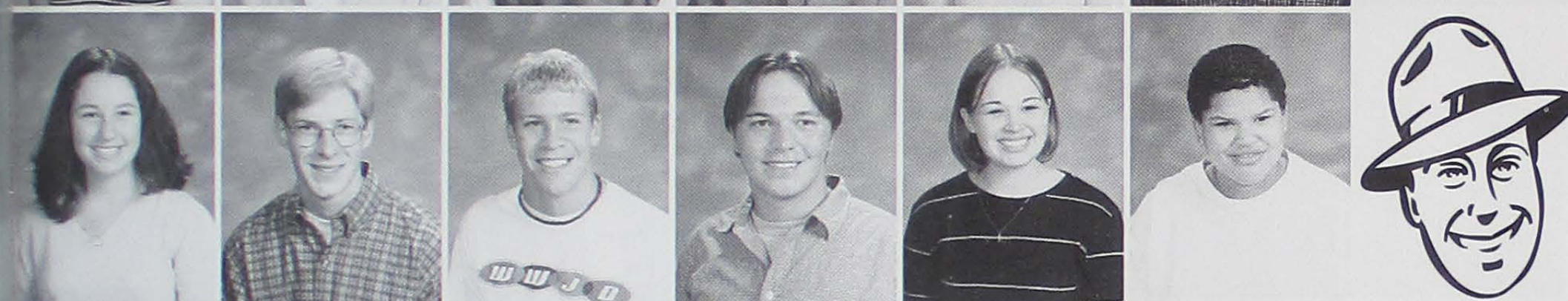
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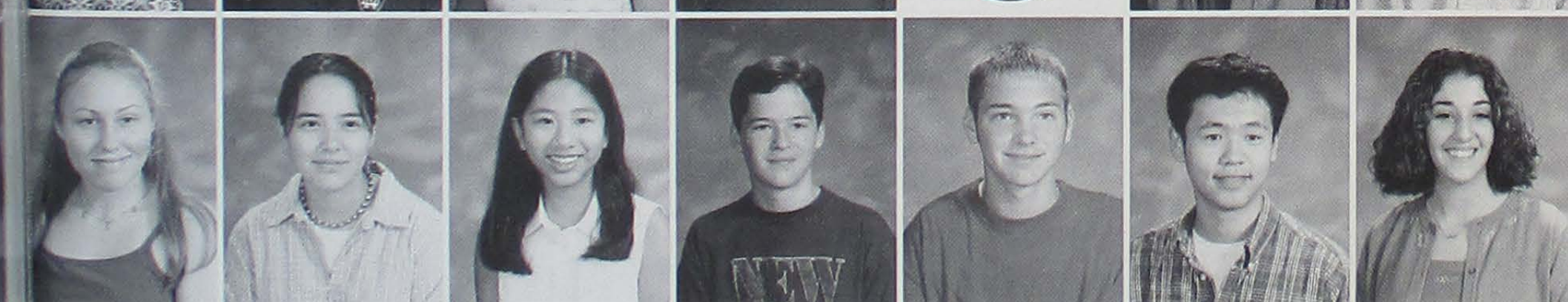
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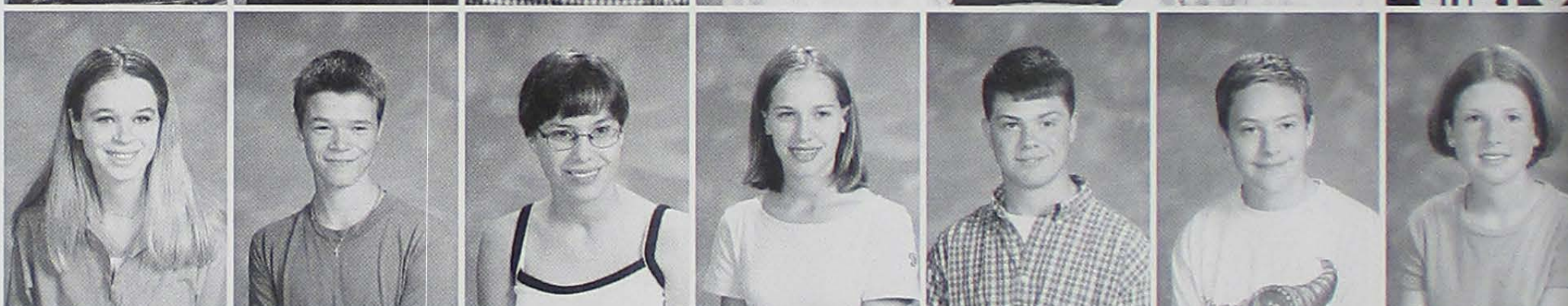
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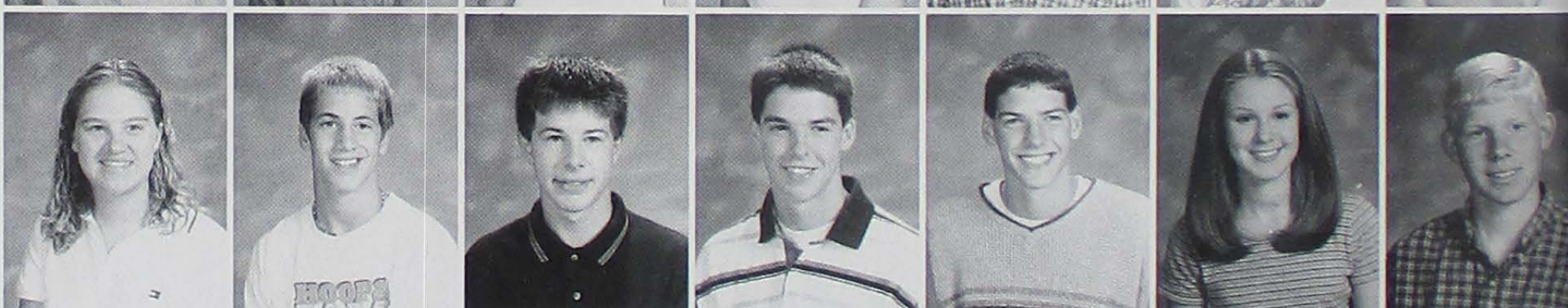
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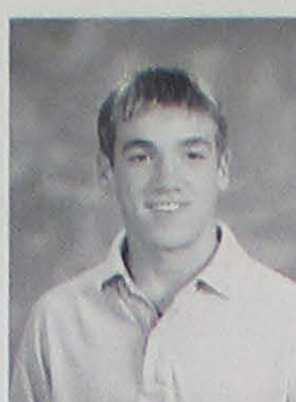


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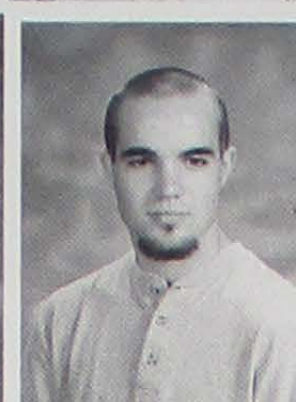


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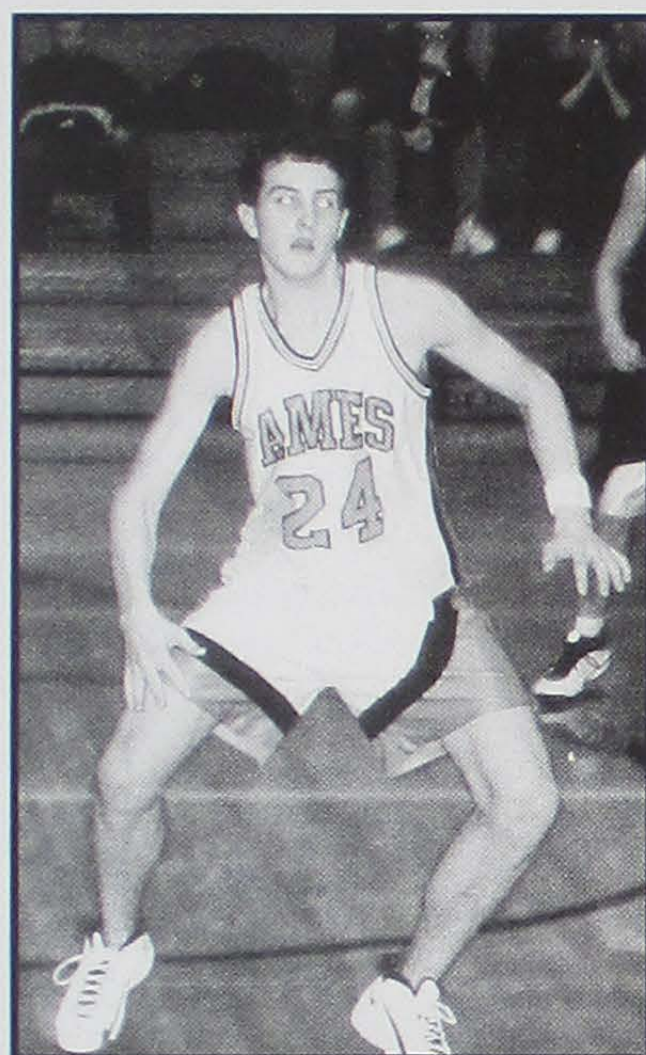
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Sophomores **Anat Shinar**, **Molly Schram**, and **Les Schweikert** help clean up the toilet paper from Homecoming. Schweikert picked a bouquet of flowers for Schram in honor of her birthday. (photo by Lauren Ledet)

During the sophomore basketball game against the Valley Tigers, sophomore **John Tillo** broke away from his defender and searched for the ball (photo by Julie Song)

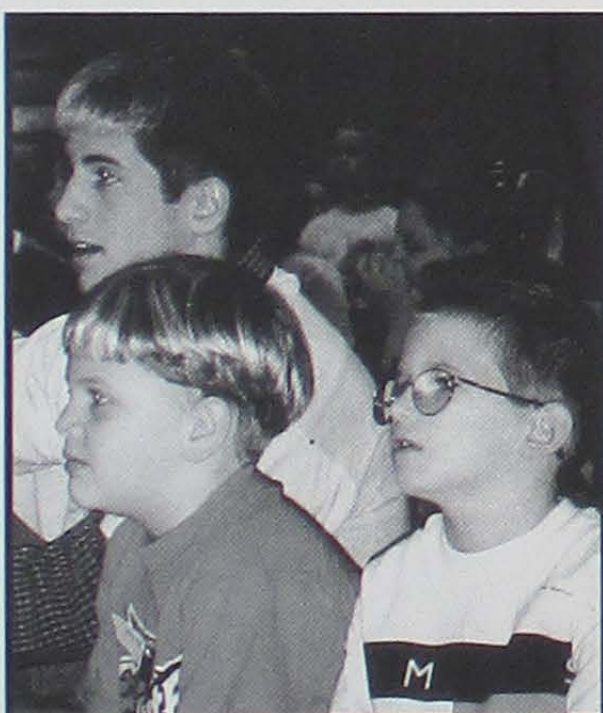


After winning a close game to the Mason City Mohawks, the sophomore basketball team got together at **Kiley Rebarcak's** cabin in Clear Lake. The girls spent the night cel-

ebating their victory and building unity. The night wasn't complete until they played in the snow, ate lots of food, and stayed up most of the night. (photo by Melisse Owen)

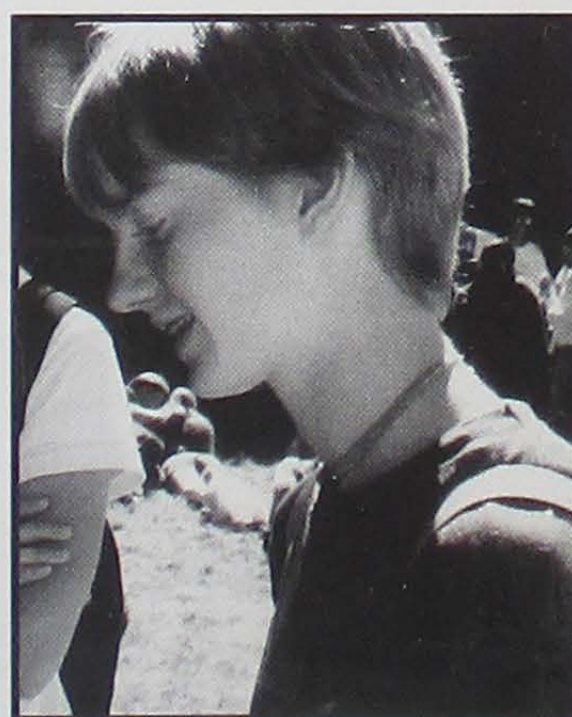
If you could do anything you wanted to do for one day, what would you do?

"I would get all of my friends to skip a day of school with me and invite them to a humongous party at my house."
- sophomore **Sara Clayton**



"I would take **Ms. Bodenhamer** on a date to Krispy Kream Donuts in Des Moines for an evening of glazed donuts."
- sophomore **Nate Ward**

"I would steal a fire engine and blast the siren so that I would not have to deal with any stupid drivers in my way."
-sophomore **Catherine Wilson**



"I would go to a car dealership and ask to 'test drive' a brand new, expensive car and never return it."
- sophomore **Brendon Persaud**

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"It was the best of times, it was the worst of times ...

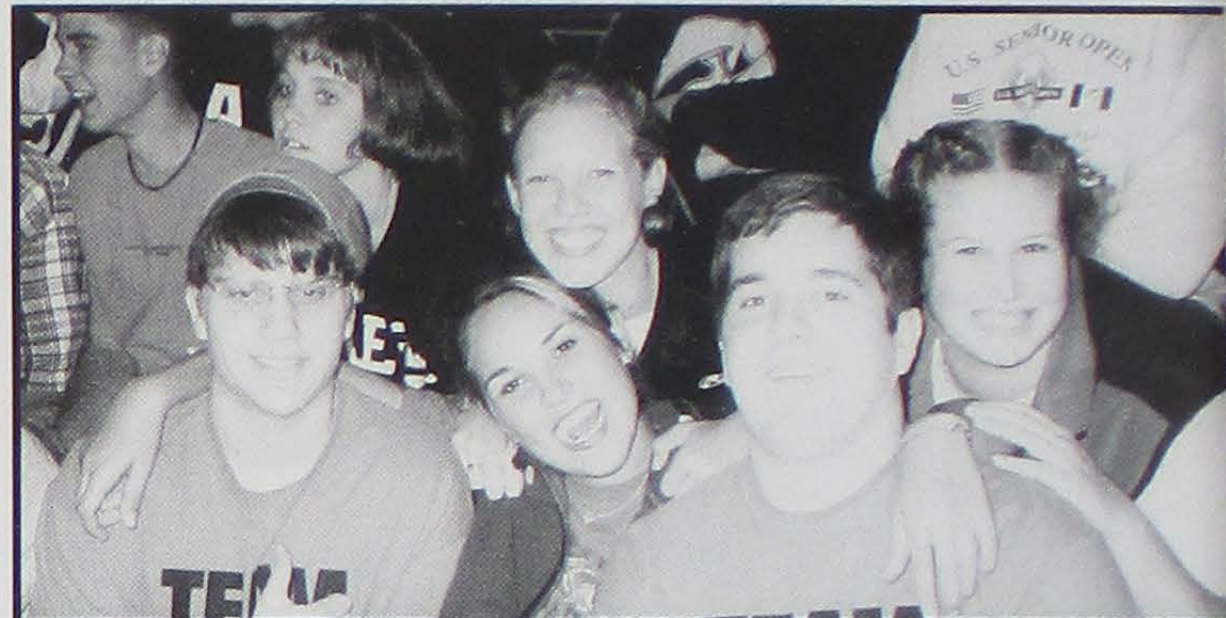
We were the junior class - standing in the space between the battle and the glory, childhood and adulthood, safety and "the real world." We held our breaths and waited to reap the well-deserved benefits of our hard work. We looked behind at the places we had come from, and ahead to the future we were building for ourselves. We loved and we hated, often at the same time. It was too much homework in too little time, open lunch, midnight deadlines, no more study halls, sophomores parking in our lot, more freedom, new security systems, and moving even nearer to the dreaded end of the world that we knew. We were the junior class - standing in between many things, but constantly moving toward a better, brighter future

by Amanda Hoppe



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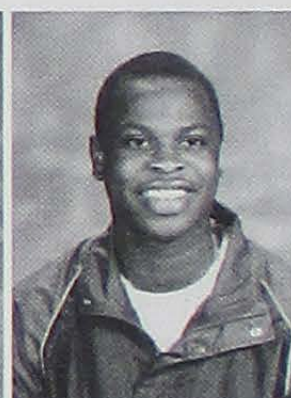
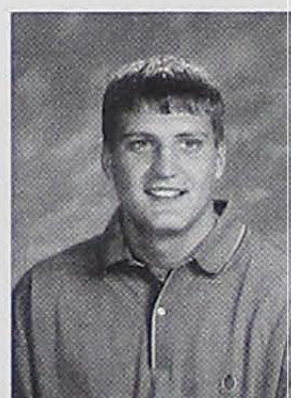
Front Row: Laura Carlyle, Amy Swanson, Bri Staff, Katie Naeve, Julie Reger, Laura Obrycki, Abbey Townsend **Middle Row:** Emily Polich, Lindsay Erickson, Sylvia Fanous, Stephanie Inglett, Kelley Kunz, Allyson Ward, Megan Whited, Chelsea Fitch **Back Row:** Rolf Place, Basil Mahayni, Brian Grove, Erin Belcher, Megan Eernisse, Jessie Kinyon, Angela Schroeder, Diane Volko. Advisors: Mr. Lofgren, Mrs. Fennelly. Not pictured: Ann Benson and Julie Song.



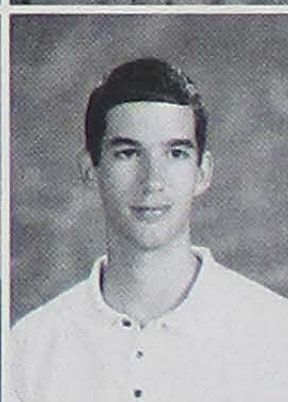
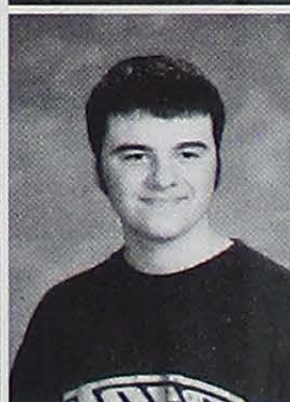
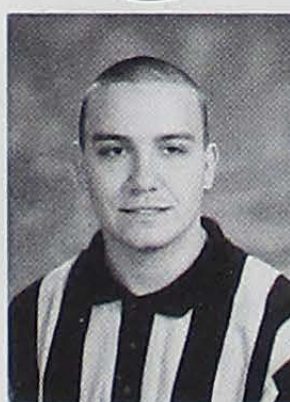
Juniors **Ryan Lott, Rita Carter, Carly Mortensen, Jeff Hageman** and **Anna Duple** show off their school spirit at a football game. In keeping with tradition, the upperclassmen were granted the lower bleachers in the football stadium

stands, allowing them a better view of the team's victories. "Attending football games was a good way to get to know people, meet your friends, and support your team," Carter said. (photo by Laura Ledet)

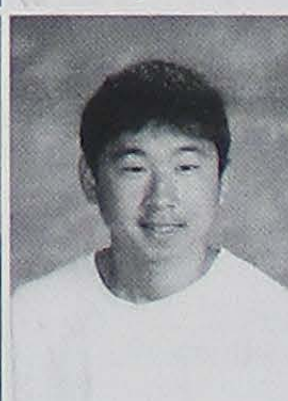
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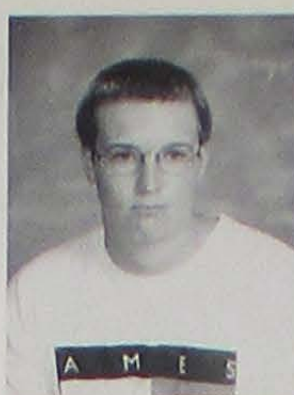
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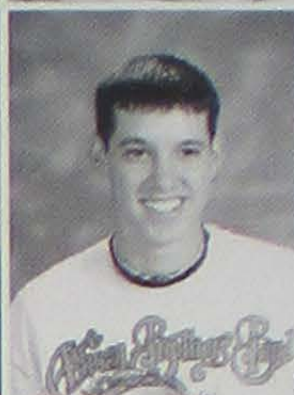
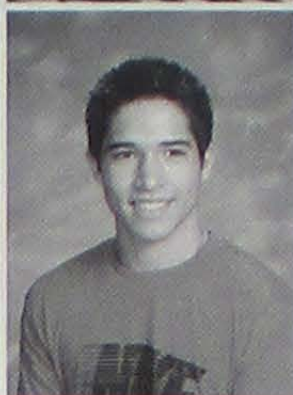
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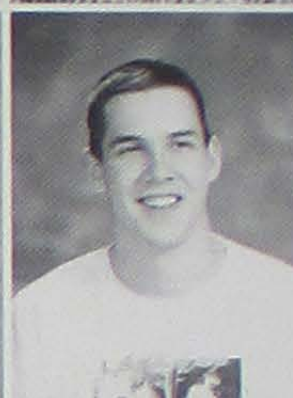
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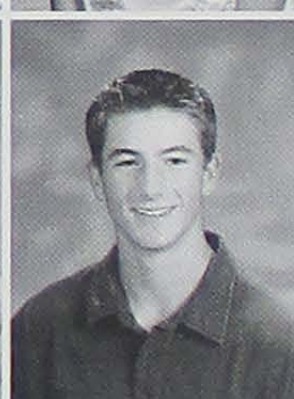
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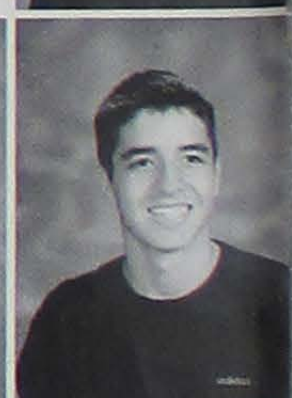
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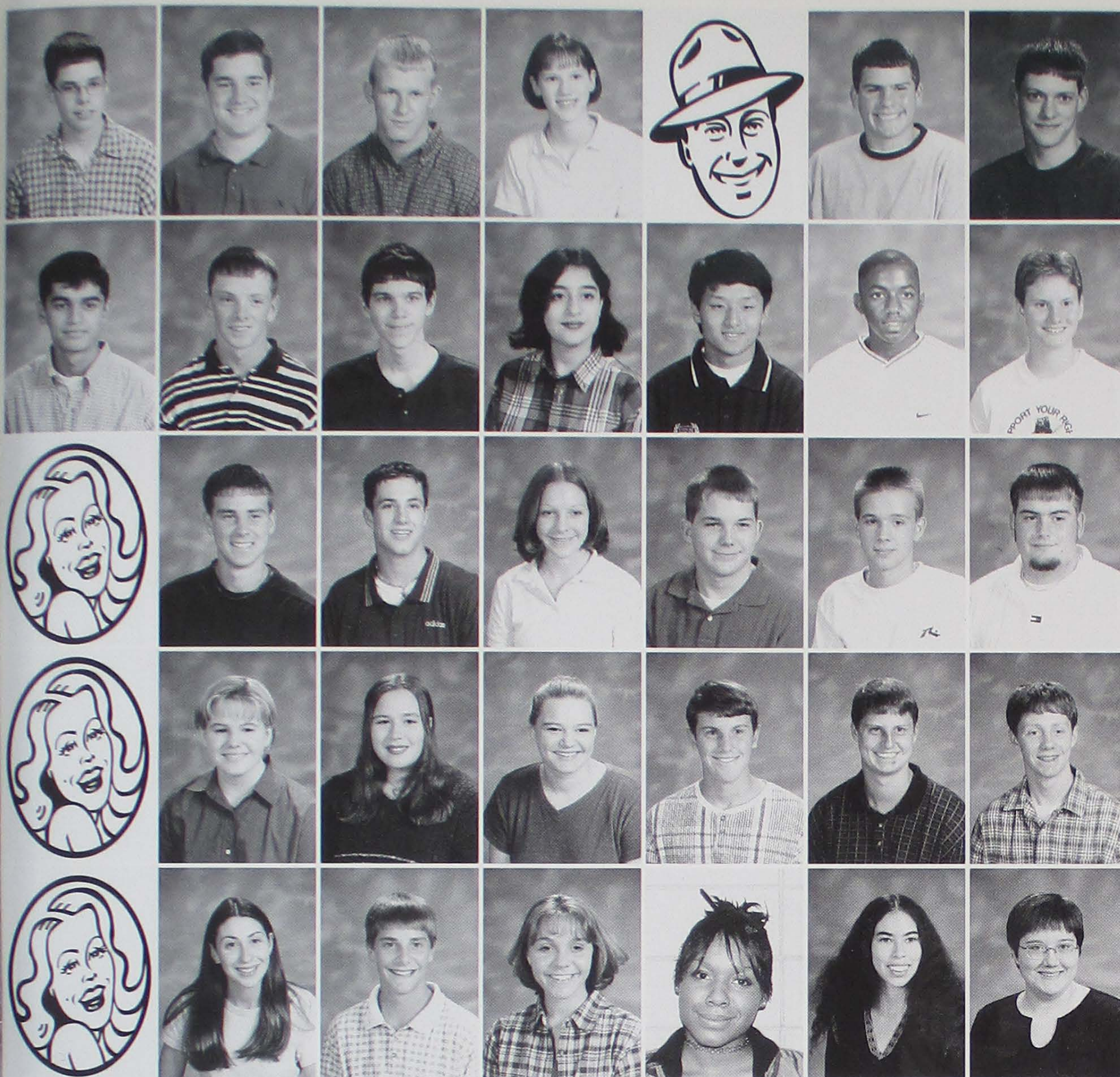


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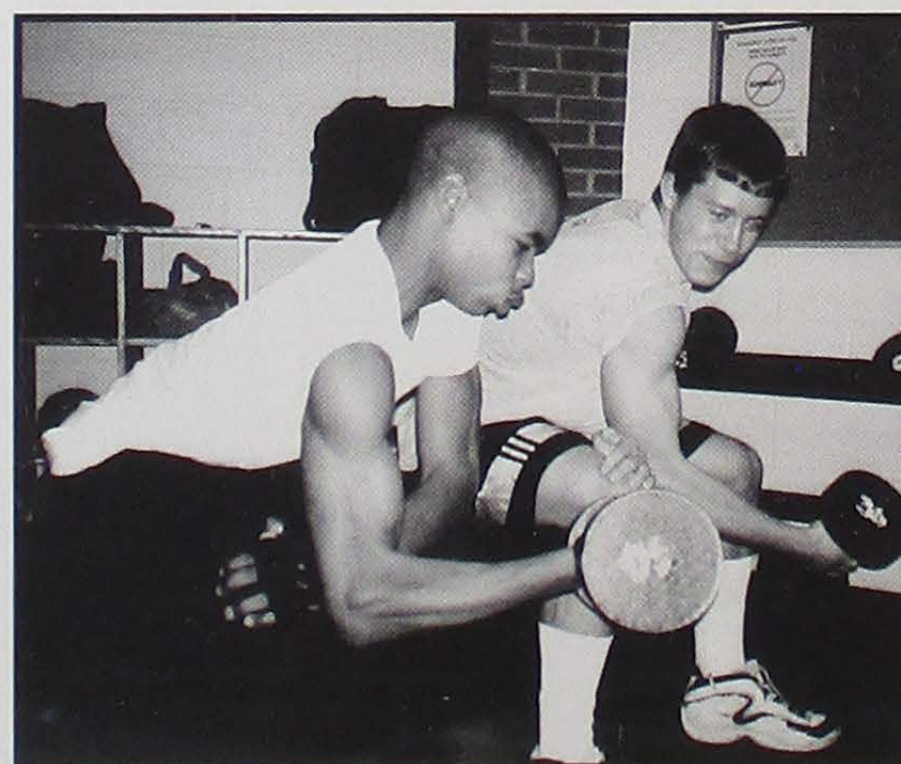
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Battle of the Sexes

Feel the Burn-Laugh vs. Lift



Junior **Annie Legg** laughs as junior **Lori Bennett** lets Legg know how much she's enjoying her dinner. Legg prepared for her hug by draping a napkin over her shoulder. "Lori always wears too much makeup!" Legg said. (photo by Burke)

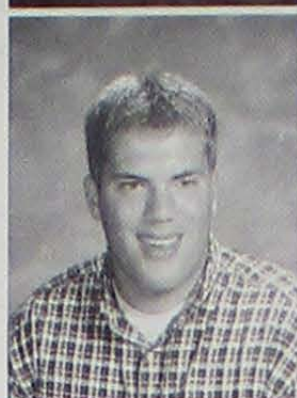


Working their biceps, juniors **Lorenzo Taylor** and **David Larson** prepare for next year's football season. Many football players, as well as other athletes, took advantage of the fitness center as a means to prepare and condition for upcoming athletic seasons. Since the building of the Fitness Center, many students have incorporated weightlifting into their weekly exercise routines. (photo by Amy Chung)

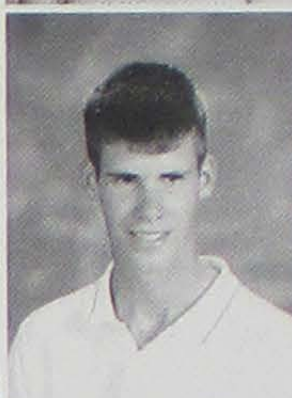
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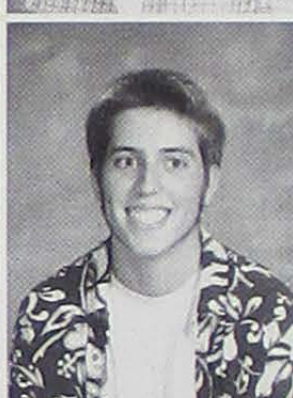
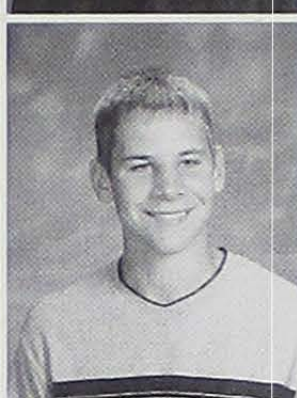
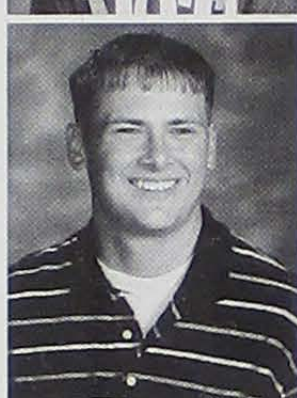
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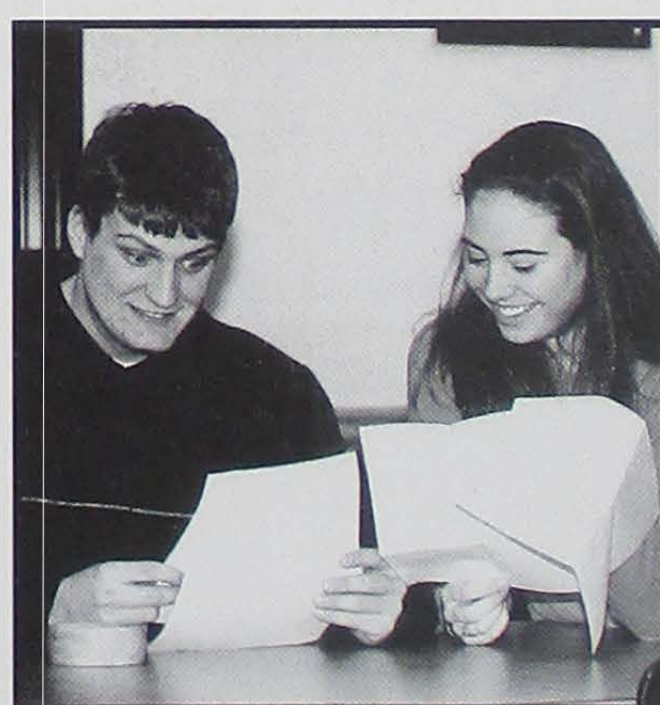


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Chris Krebs
Mendy Krebs



Just where could you find the junior class?

Junior **Ben Cronin** speaks with Dr. Buck during the game against Ankeny, where he was sidelined with a devastating injury to his MCL. Despite the setback, the Cyclone's victory against the Hawks allowed the team to enter the Playoffs. (photo by Samantha Dorr)



Juniors **Justin Abbott** and **Emily Polich** display their excitement as they compare their computer dating surveys. (photo by Amy Chung)



Junior **Nathan Braymer**, **Derek Watson**, and **Aaron Rosheim** entertain the audience of future band prospects at the Young People's Concert with the trumpet feature, *High Flight*. (Photo by A. Chung)



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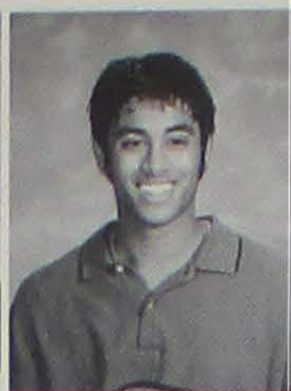
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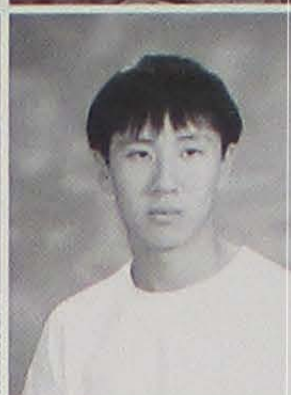
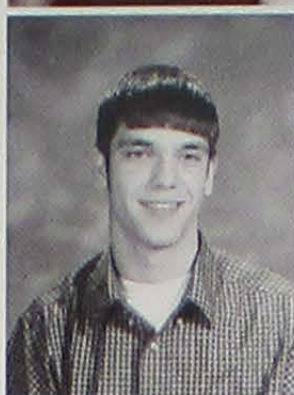
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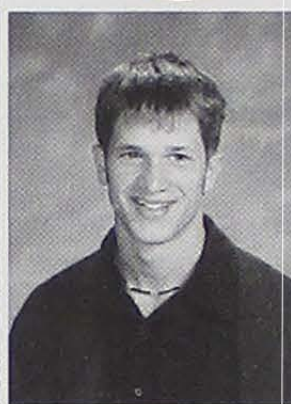
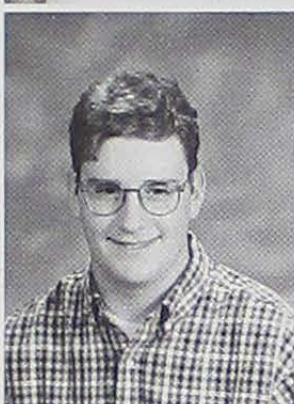
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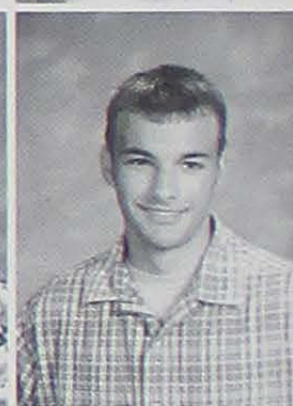
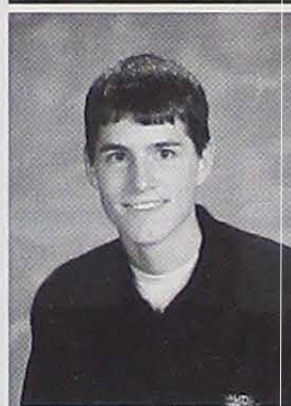
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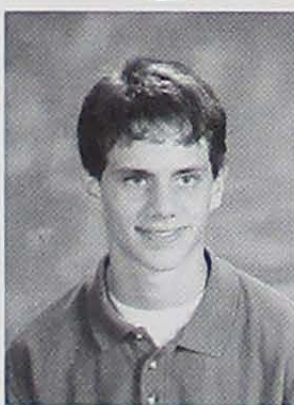
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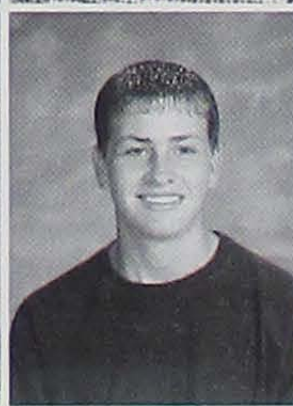
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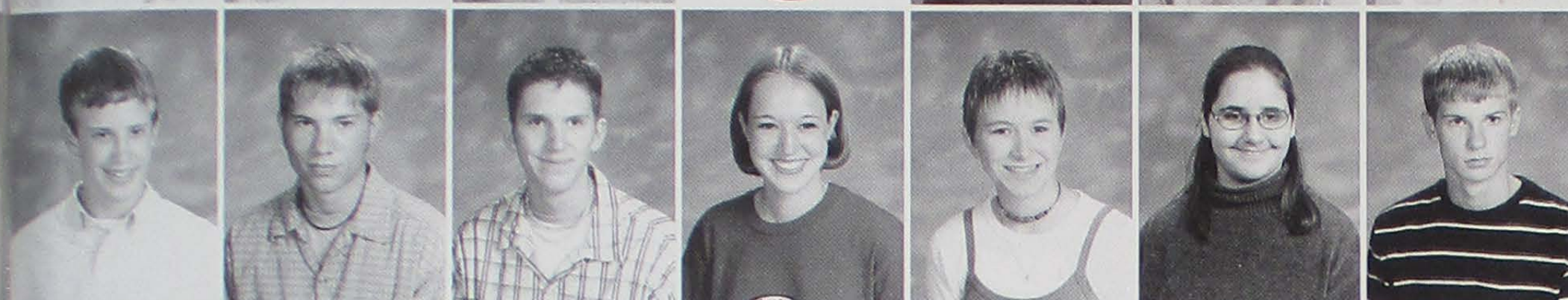




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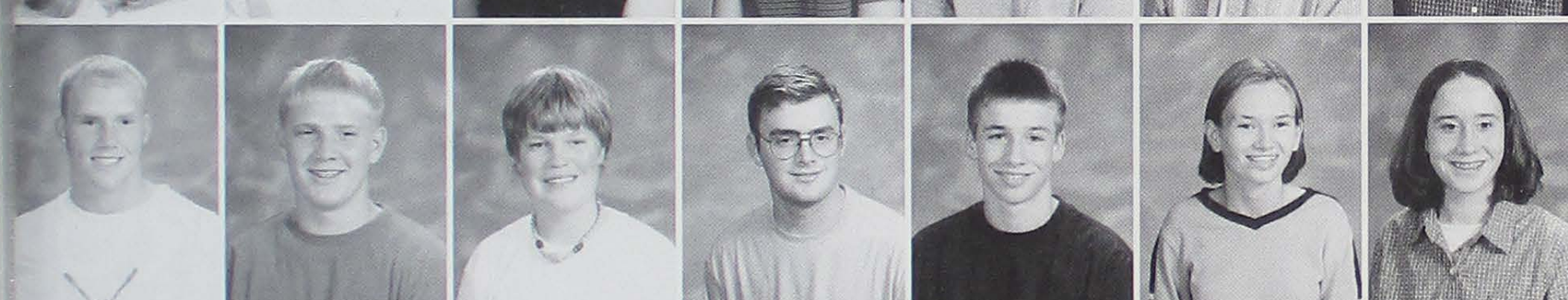
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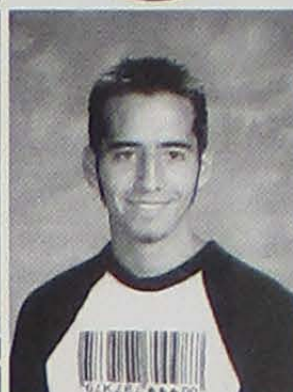
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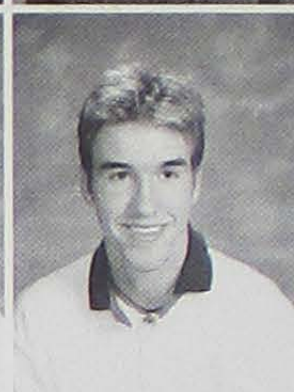
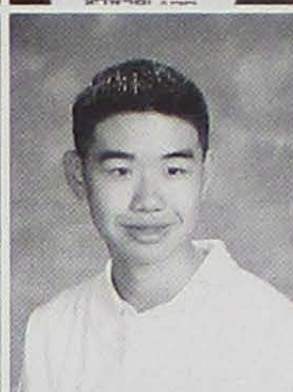
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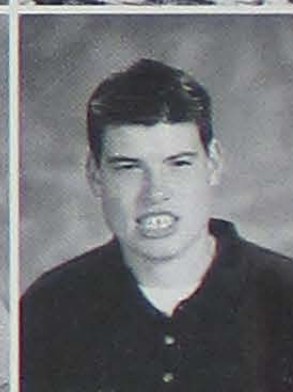
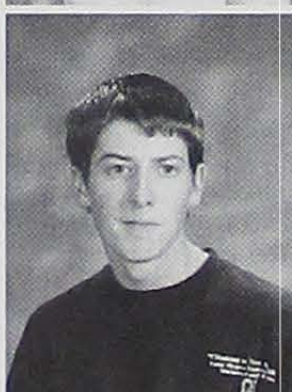
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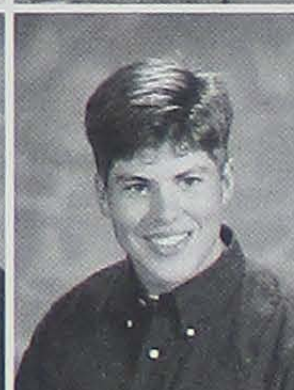
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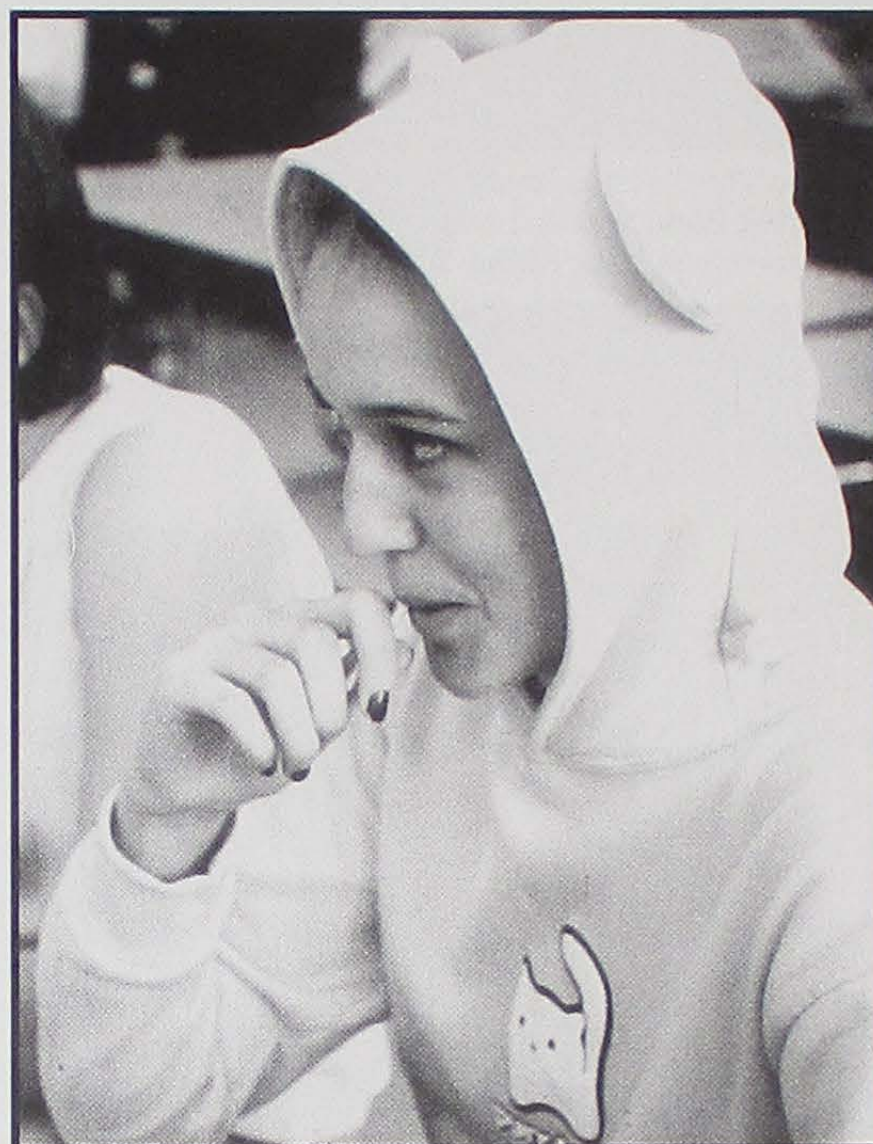
The varsity cheerleaders, including junior **Ann Benson**, take time from their busy schedules to TP the varsity football players' houses the night before the homecoming game. "We went through a lot of toilet paper that night," Benson said. All general stores that carry toilet paper know because of past Homecoming years to fully stock the shelves to meet the needs of students during the week of Homecoming. It has been a tradition to stay out past midnight on the Thursday before the Homecoming game and get revenge on your friends and foes. (photo by Julie Prindle)

Leaving early is a pleasure that only juniors and seniors know. Juniors **Stephanie Inglett** and **Joey Wanzek** leave early eighth period to escape the after-school rush. "I could get

used to abusing this privilege. I don't feel bad for the freshmen and sophomores though. We had to suffer, but now we live the good life," Wanzek said as he drove off. (photo by Amanda Burke)



Junior **Melissa Shill** smiles mischievously as she looks across the cafeteria during her free period. Shill, known for her unique fashion sense, gave in to pressure from friends to display her feline attributes. Students often wore clothing which displayed their unique personalities and different facets of their lives. Those who participated in sports often dressed up in more formal attire the day of a big meet or game, while many other students find their pajamas or sweats the most comfortable school wear. (photo by Julie Prindle)

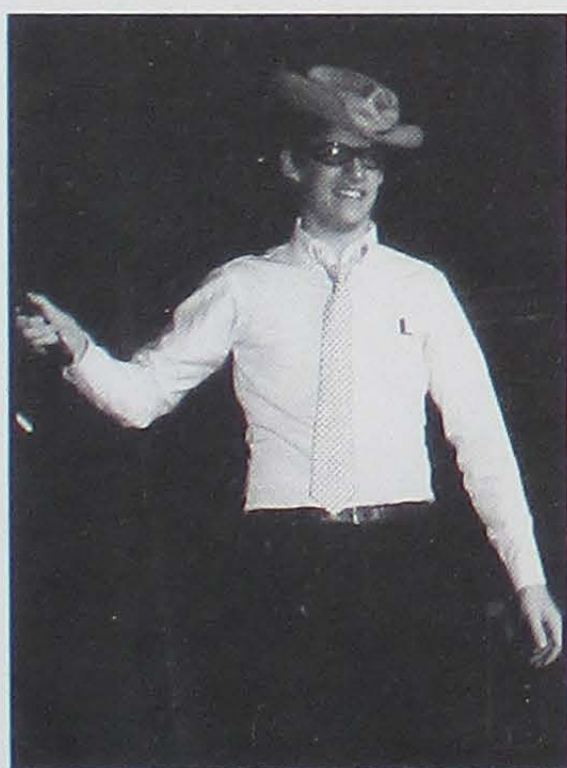
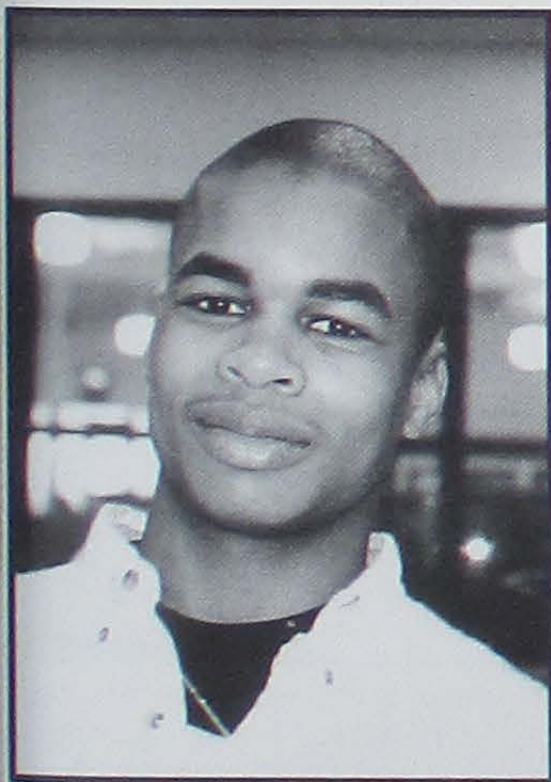


Juniors **Matt Hitchings**, **Laura Skladany** and **Katie Swank** and senior **Mike Freiberg** pose amid the crowd that gathered to watch the cheerleaders and football players fire up

their peers at the Homecoming Bonfire. The Homecoming game was against Mason City and ended in a victory for us with a final score of 10 - 0. (photo by Esther Kindred)

After School After Thoughts: A Word To The Wise From Those Involved

"I know my boys are hitting the weights hard, and getting ready to go all the way to the dome,"
- junior **Lorenzo Taylor**



"We all have those little voices in our heads. Mine is Hank Williams,"
- junior **Chris Norris**

"I don't think it is being in the activities, but it's the things you do, and the people you meet that make them fun,"
- junior **Chris Krebs**



"I really like kicking balls around (in soccer). It's fun and it gets you in good shape,"
- junior **Melissa Belz**

FILLING IN THE TIME-LINE

freshman, sophomore and junior candid



Relaxing after the chaos that occurred during Spring Break, junior **Laura Obrycki** shows her friend junior **Abbey Townsend**

some pictures. Students were excited to share their adventures from the previous week with friends. (photo by Rita Carter)



Freshman **Anna Steele** shows her opinion of fellow freshman **Brandon Rude's** foreign language speaking skills. The two

were partners in **Jane Jurgenson's** first year Spanish class. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



On a field trip to Living History Farms, sophomores **Teri Hawley** and **Devon Walker** play jacks. U.S. History students

who were given the chance to visit the historical site were excited to miss half a day of school. (photo by Melisse Owen)



Sporting her Little Cyclone spirit, junior **Ellyn Moore** cheers at the Girls' State Basketball Tournament. Although the

team lost, fans were glad to support the team at its first state tournament in twenty-two years. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



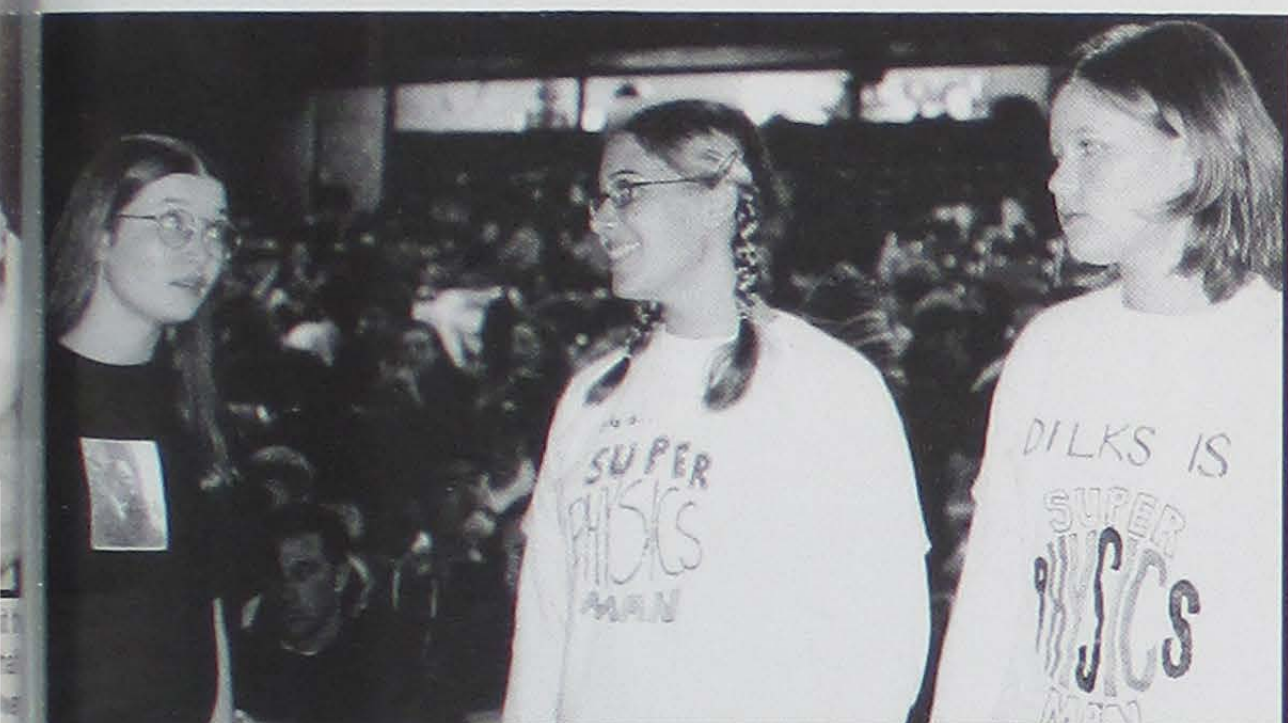
During the week of Winter Madness, the front lobby was a little bit more crowded than usual due to a few arcade games. Sophomore **Hajira Abbasi** demonstrates

her racing skills, which earned her a place in the Hall of Fame. Several students had time between classes to play the games. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



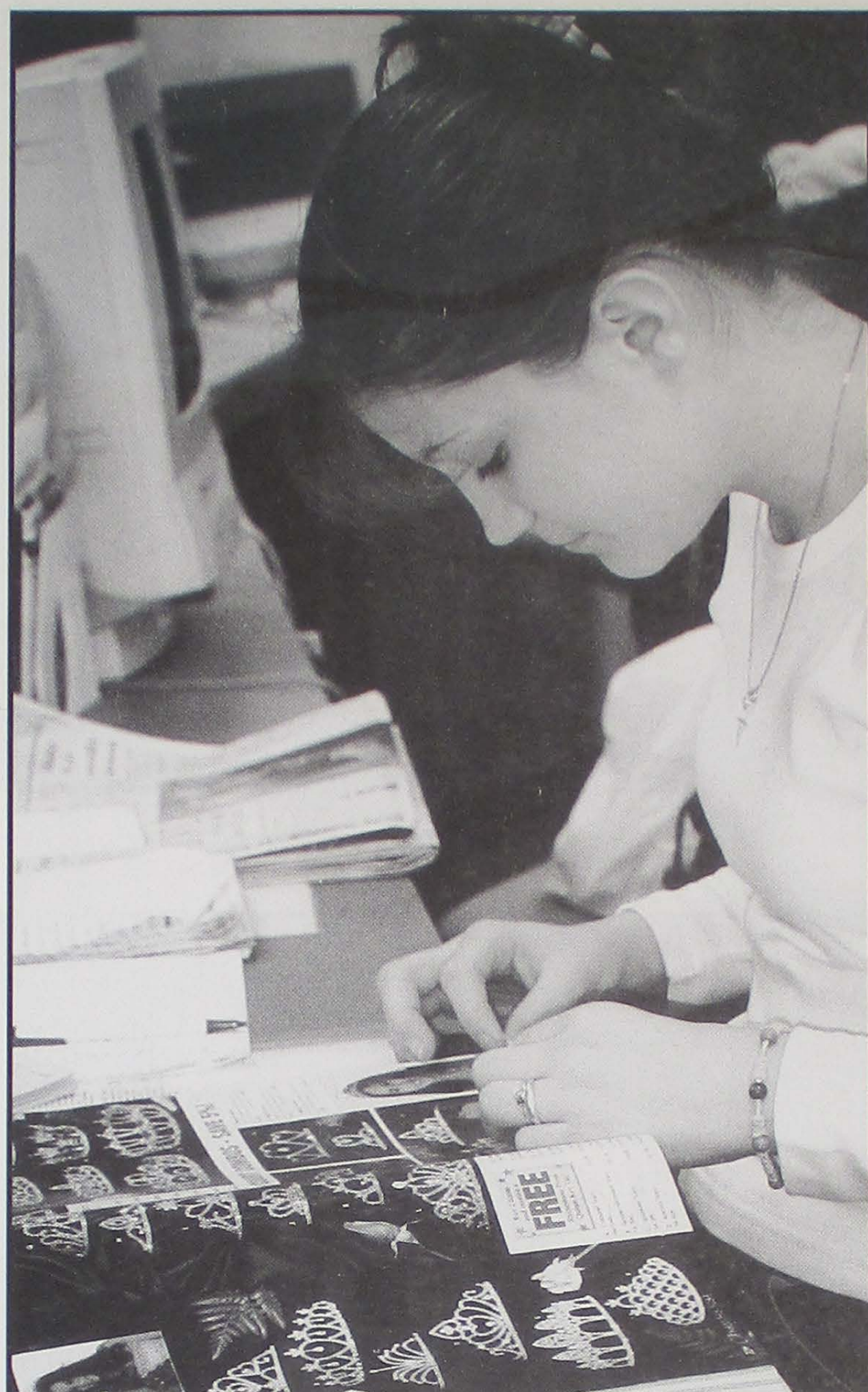
The Pep Band was always a significant attraction for fans who attended the Little Cyclones' home basketball games. The

group added important musical support, and the blaring trumpets were always a plus. (photo by Caitlin Clark)



Junior **Alexandra S. Rundle**, an avid supporter of history teacher **Kirk Addow**, sneers at juniors **Rebekkah Nelson** and **Elizabeth Cavanaugh**, fans

of the opposing science teacher **Jeff Dilks**. The two teachers faced off in a Jeopardy-like battle of wits. (photo by Melissa Heer)



Freshman **Amy Brinkheide** looks through a magazine while waiting at the switchboard in the front office. Both the

office and media center employed student volunteers to help with an ever-present work load. (photo by Julie Prindle)

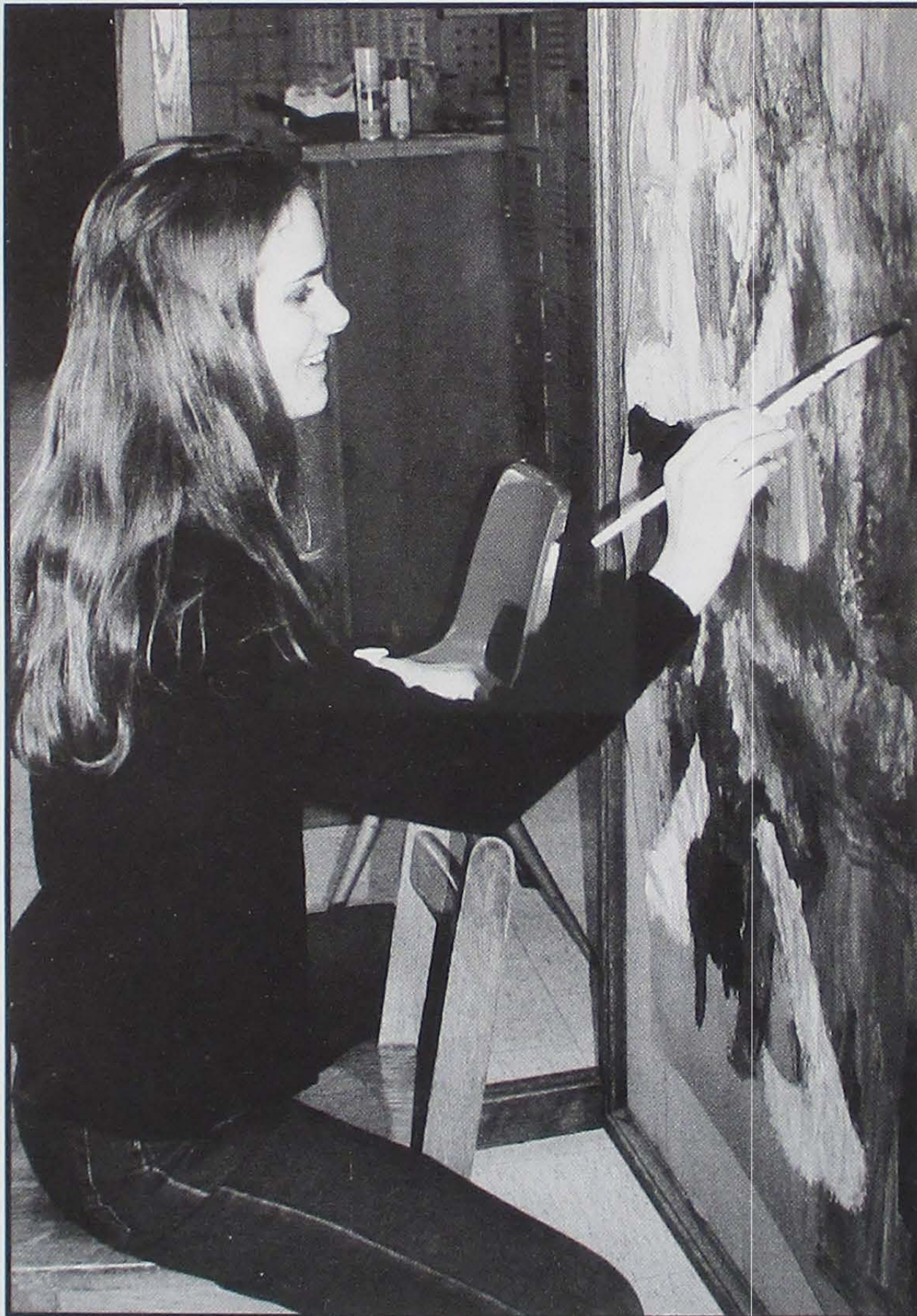


Sophomore **Megan Greulich** and freshman **Cathy Compton** play a card game at All-State auditions. Many students tried out for this musical honor but only a small number made it in. Included in the auditions were band, orchestra and choir members. To relieve stress during the long day of try-outs, students played cards, did homework, talked with friends and listened to music. (photo by Julie Song)



Preparing for the spring play, freshman **Madeleine Russell** copies scenes from Shakespeare's *Twelfth Night* on to a scroll. Many Saturday mornings were

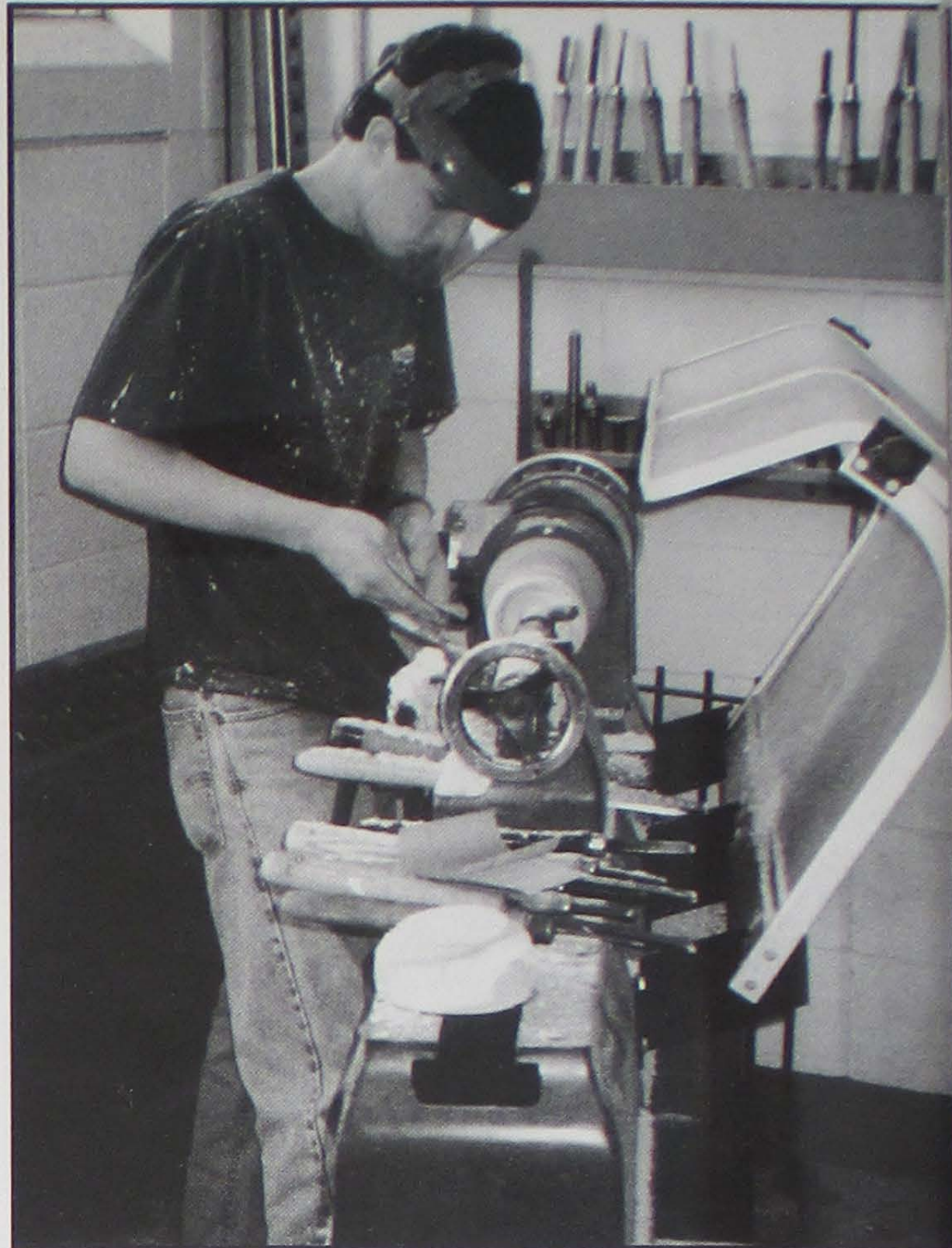
spent by the cast and crew to make the spring performance the spectacular show that it turned out to be. (photo by Jen Alexander)



Using a paint brush and canvas, junior **Brittany Prater** creates a masterpiece. Her project was a self portrait for **Dorothy Gugel's** Advanced Painting class. Prater's

passion for art led her to seek extra challenges outside of school in order to enhance her artistic abilities. (photo by Caitlin Clark)

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Using his newly acquired skills, junior **Scott Jenisen** crafts a bowl. "I liked taking wood from its natural state and turning it into something beautiful,"

Jenisen said. Students in woods class had the opportunity to make many different things from vases to ash trays. (photo by Rita Carter)



Feste the Jester, a.k.a. junior **David Melby**, sneaks away from a madman behind the door at the spring produc-

tion of the *Twelfth Night*. Students got a laugh from the fun-filled attitude of Melby's character. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Anchoring the 4 x 800, sophomore **Julius Mania** fights for the lead down the home stretch. Mania held the lead most of the way but was out-matched by a Marshalltown Bobcat. The 4 x 800 relay team finished second, earning valuable points for the JV track team. (photo by Jen Alexander)



Jim Kain has high hopes for a slam dunk at the I-Ball All Star Game and Slam Dunk Contest. Despite being unsuccessful, Kain did receive the proper recognition for his abilities. (photo by Melisse Owen)



During homeroom, many students had the opportunity to clean up the left over toilet paper from over-spirited students. Junior **Amber Segedi's** chance came

one or two mornings after fellow students once again participated in the Homecoming tradition. (photo by Lauren Ledet)



Sophomore **M e g Johnson** and junior **A m a n d a Becker** practice their dance routine for Modern Dance. Once students learned the correct dance techniques they created their own personalized dances. The groups went on to perform them for their teacher and classmates to critique. (photo by Caitlin Clark)

Seniors

Our minds never knew where they belonged. Should we have juggled the decisions of our future, or absorbed every last moment of childhood we had left? Time with our friends became more vital while so deadlines lost their fear. We hoped that the people in our lives wouldn't drift into names that tickle our ears due to familiar sound. We needed to find a cozy crevice in the back of our minds to preserve memories as the ...

by Melissa Heer

Class of

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SENIOR SENATE

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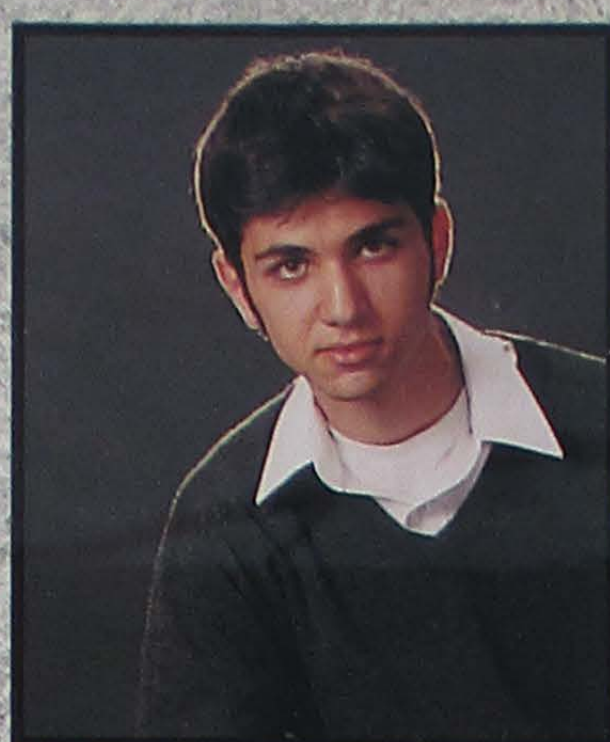




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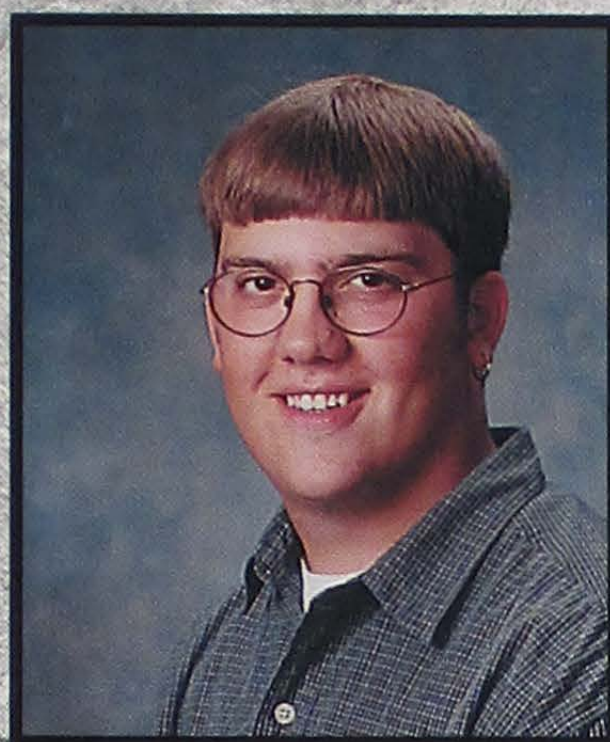
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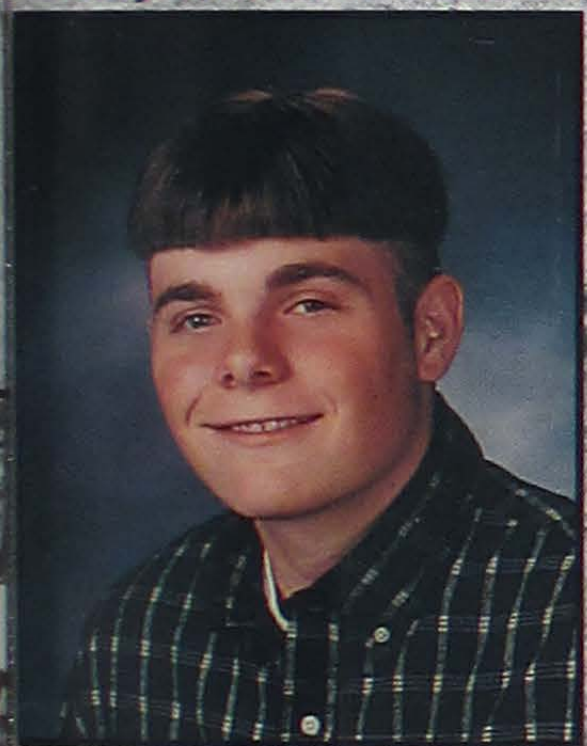
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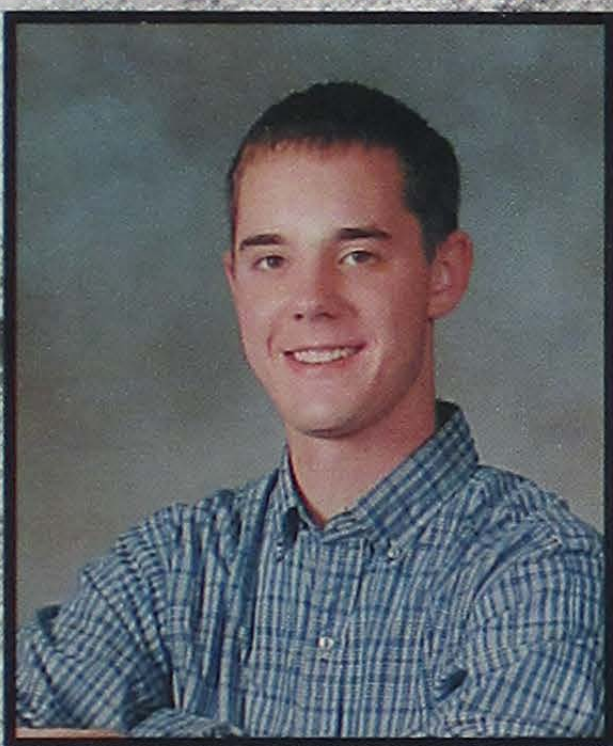
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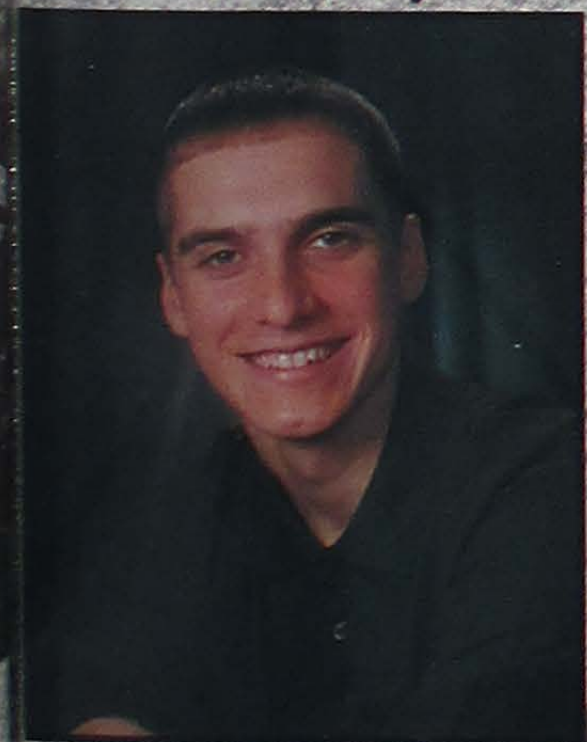
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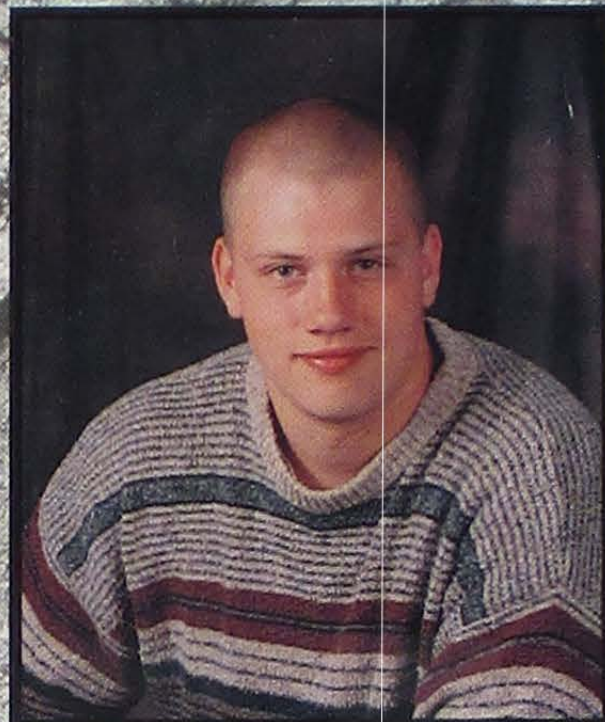
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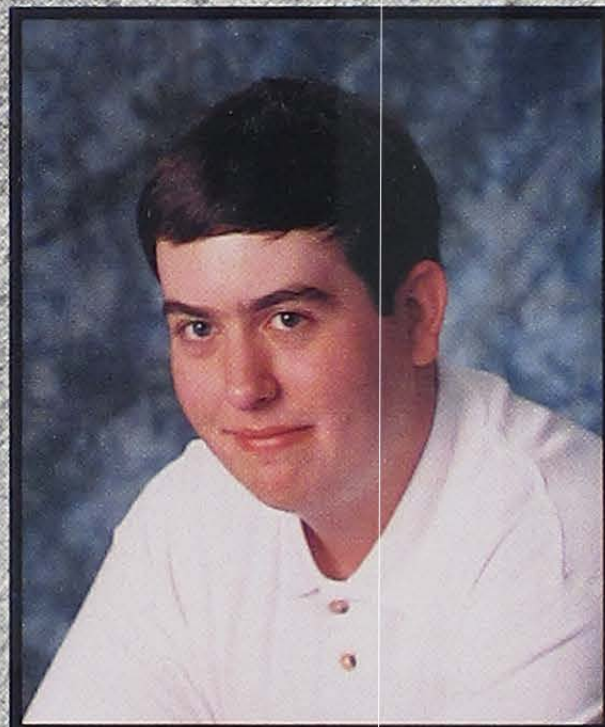
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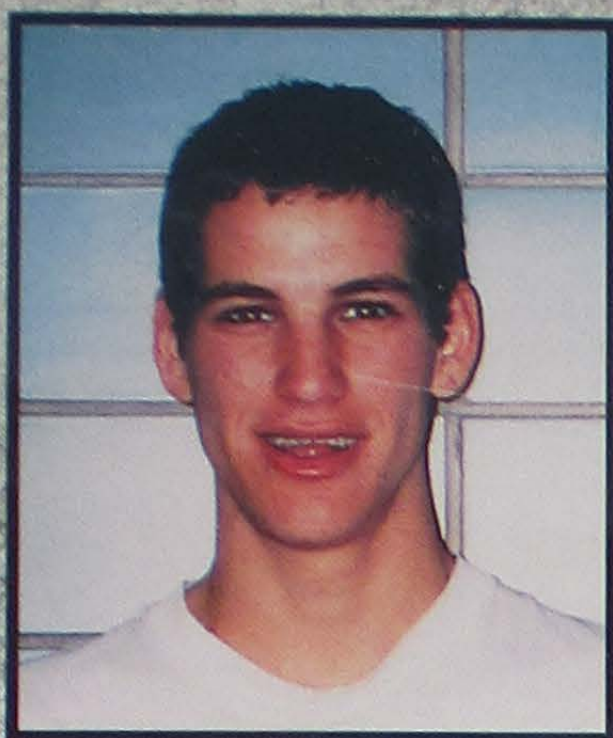
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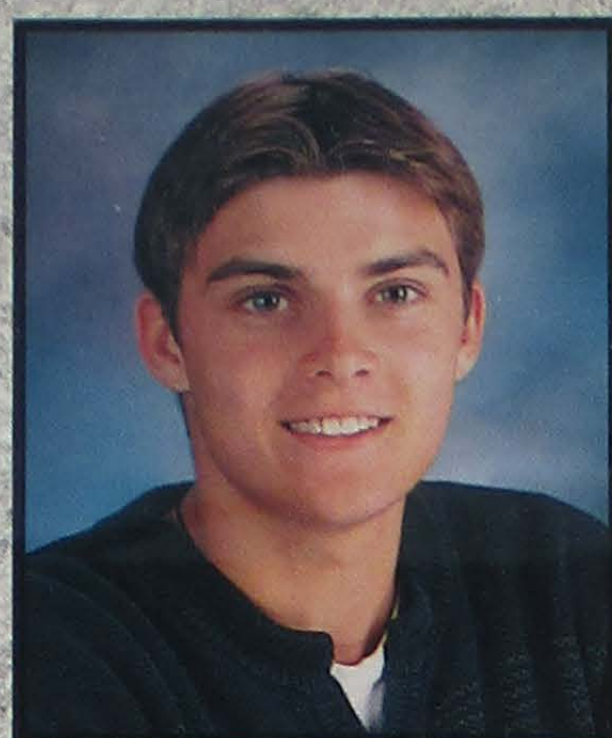
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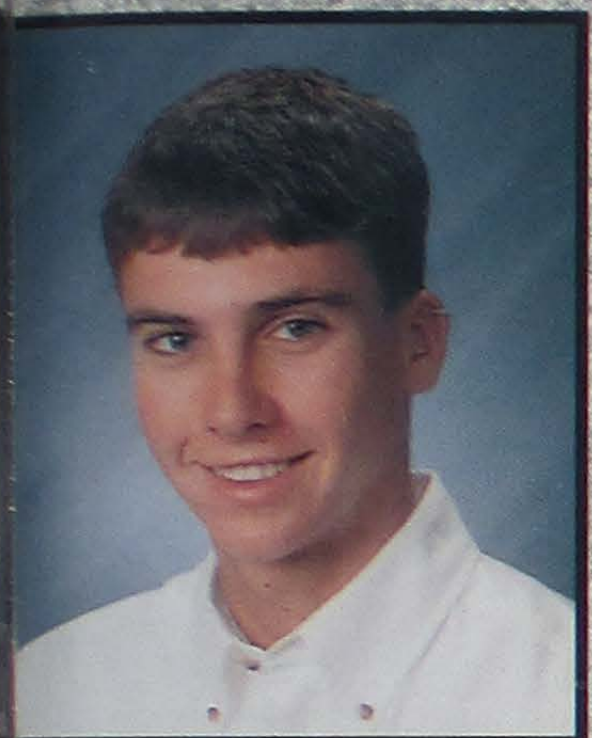
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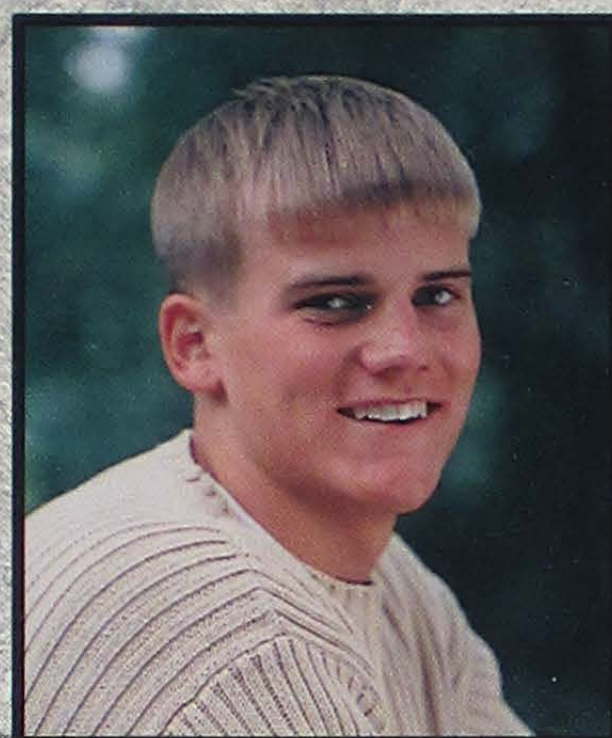
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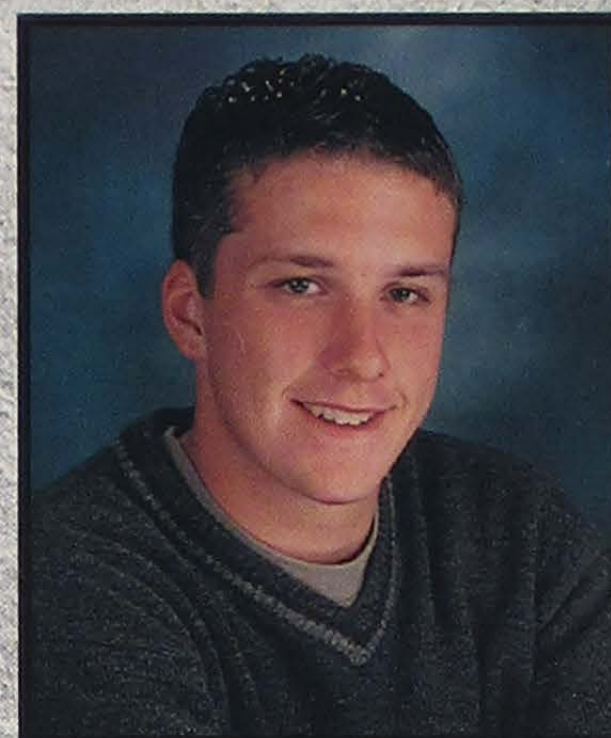
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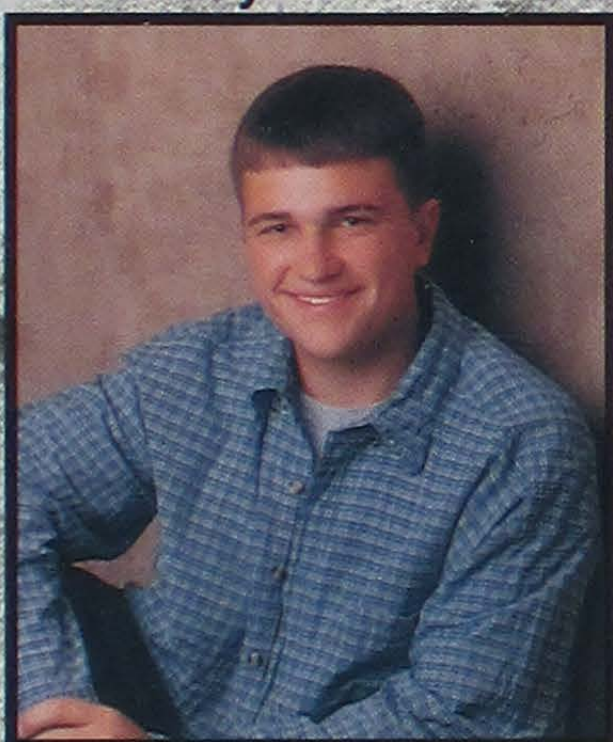
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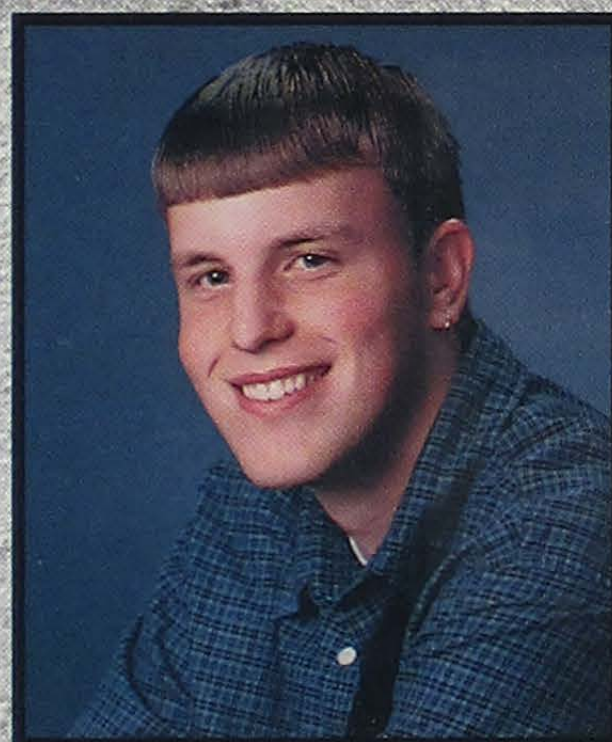
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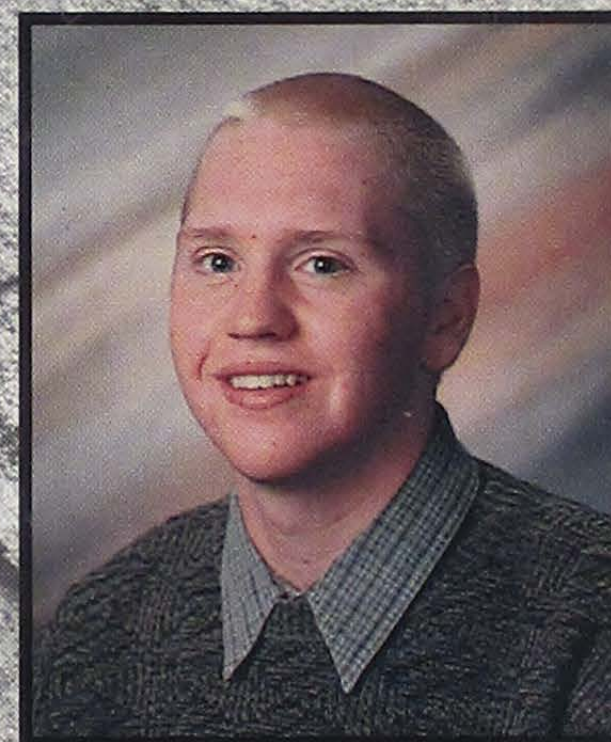
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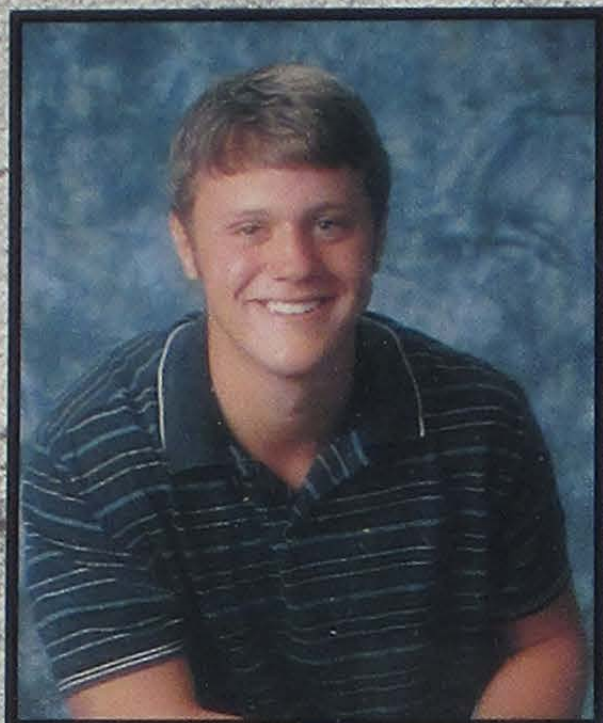
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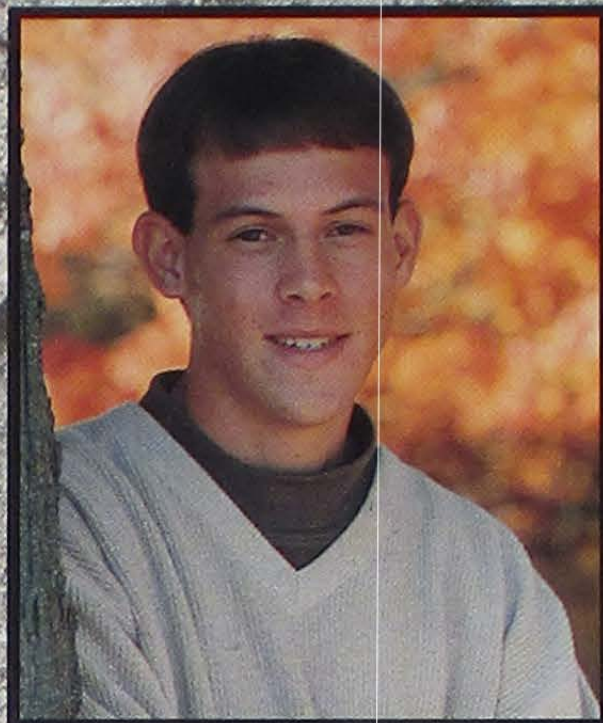
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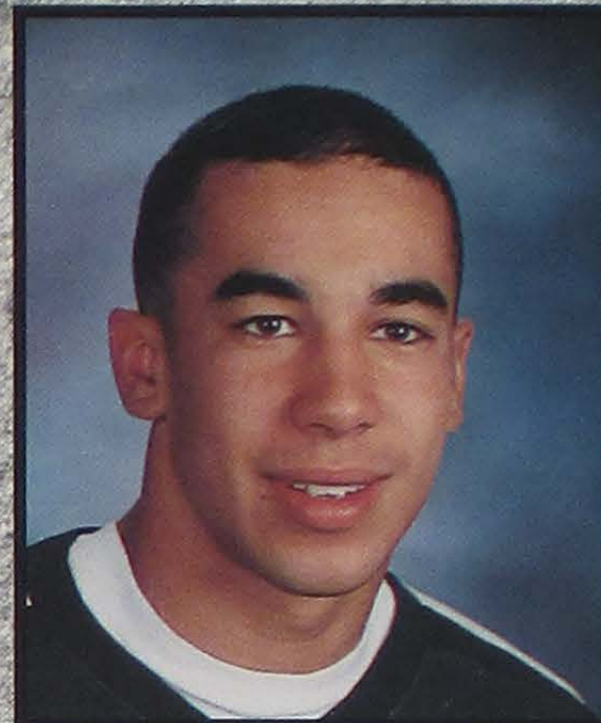
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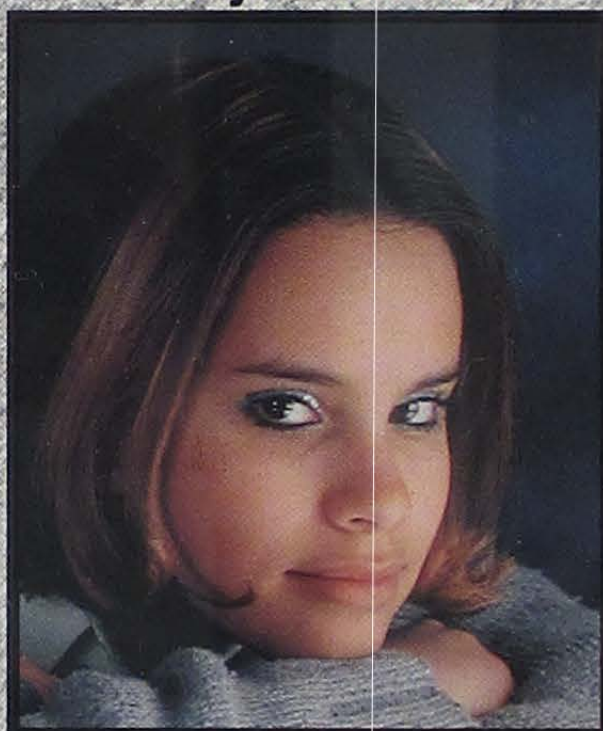
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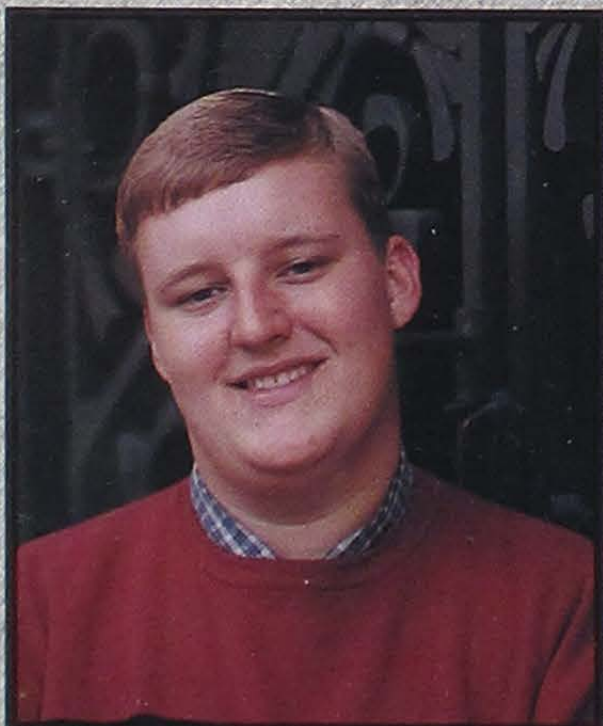
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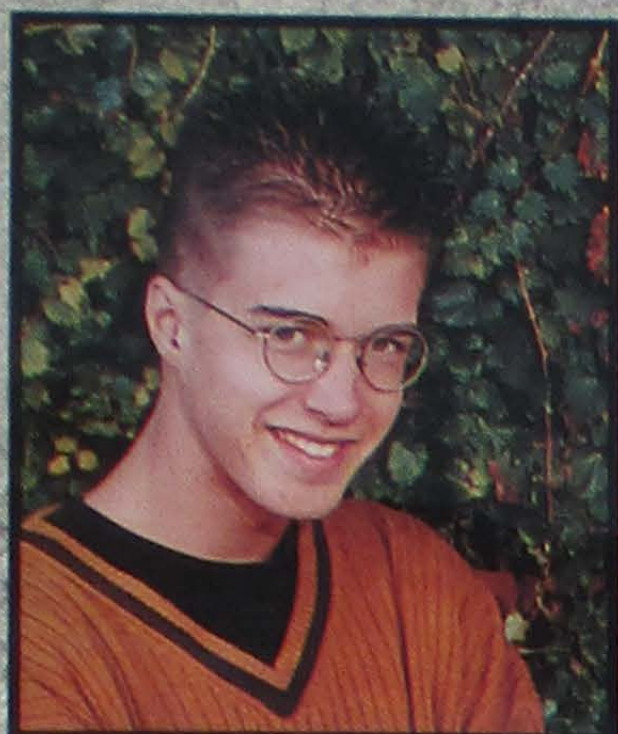
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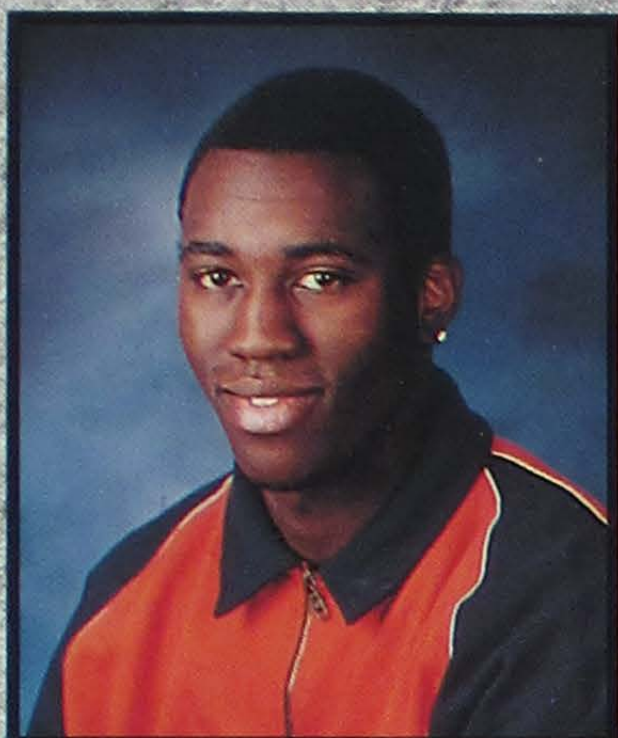
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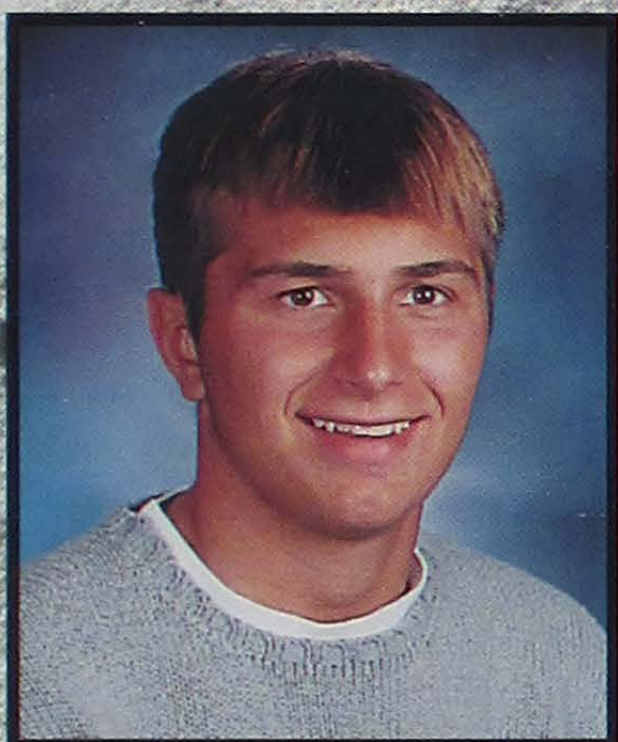
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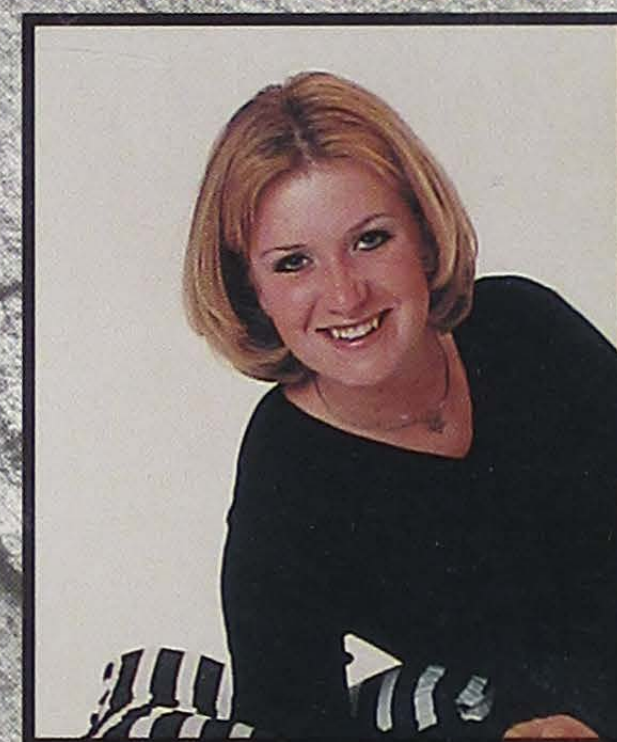
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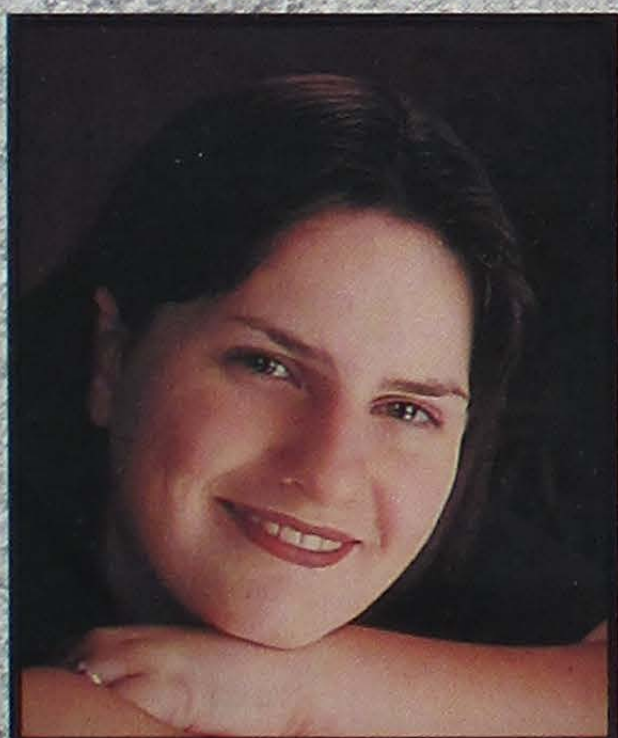
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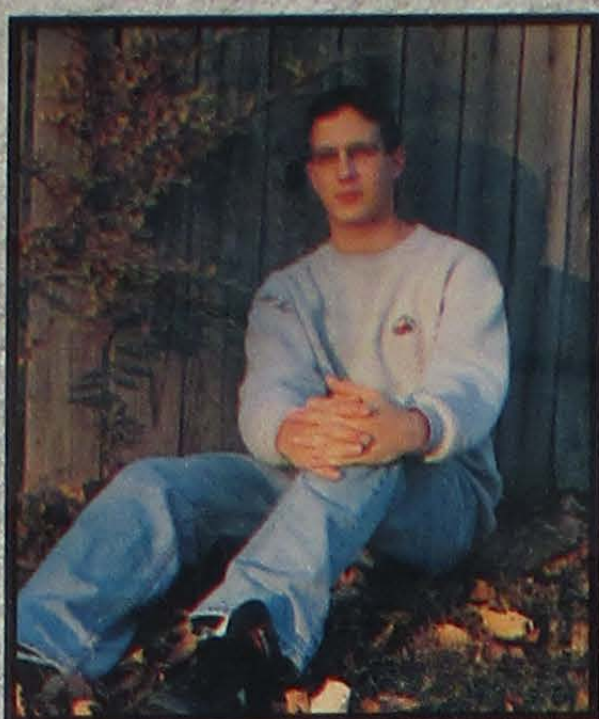
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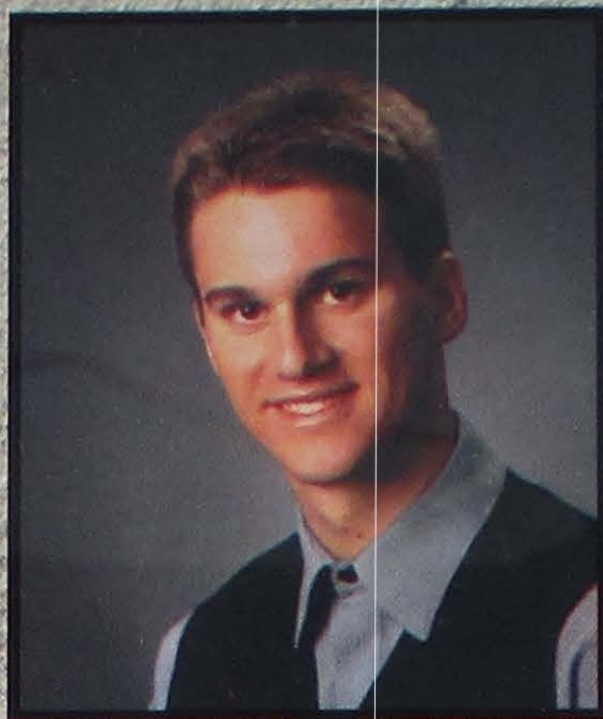
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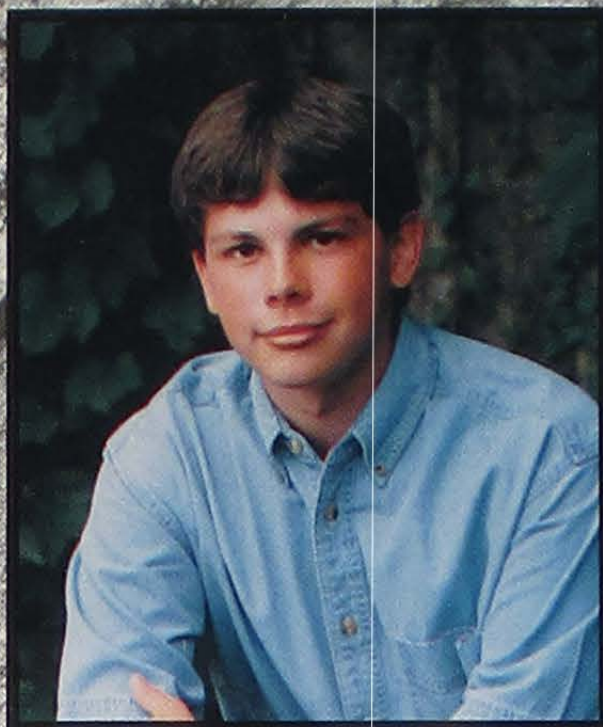
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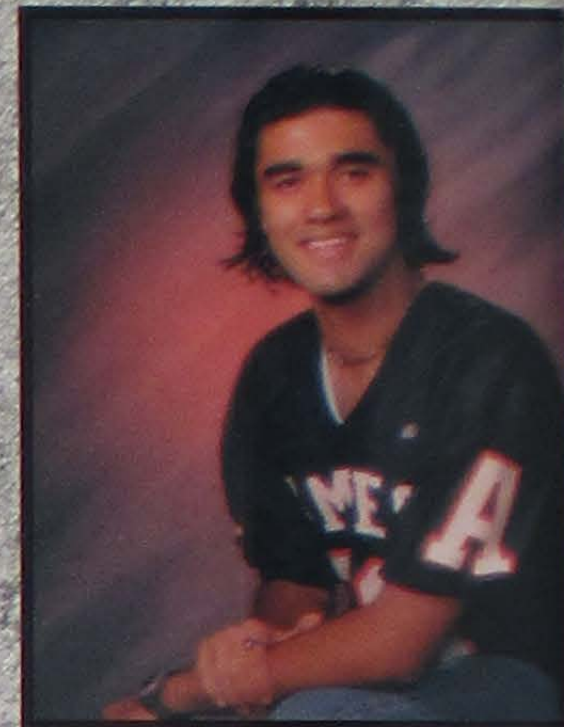
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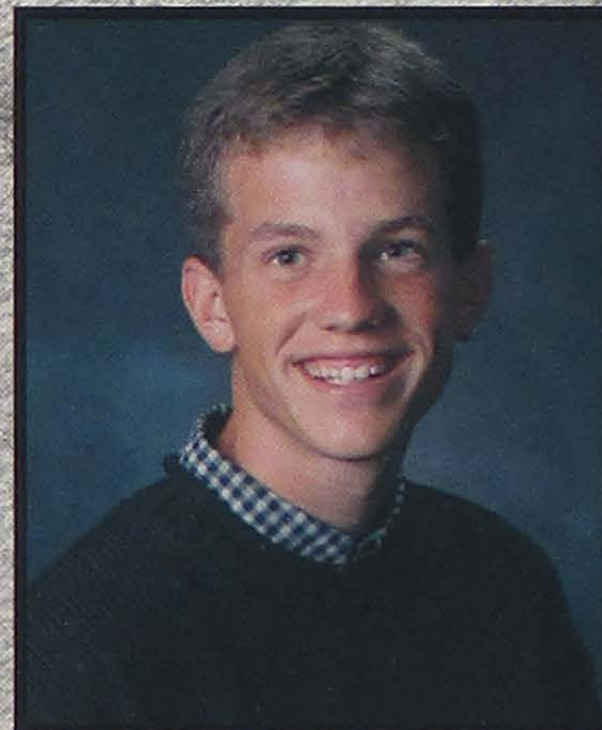
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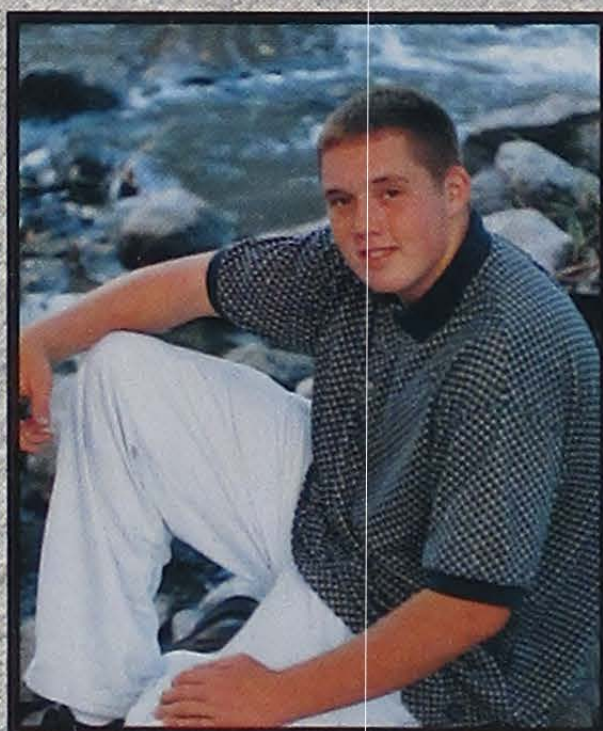
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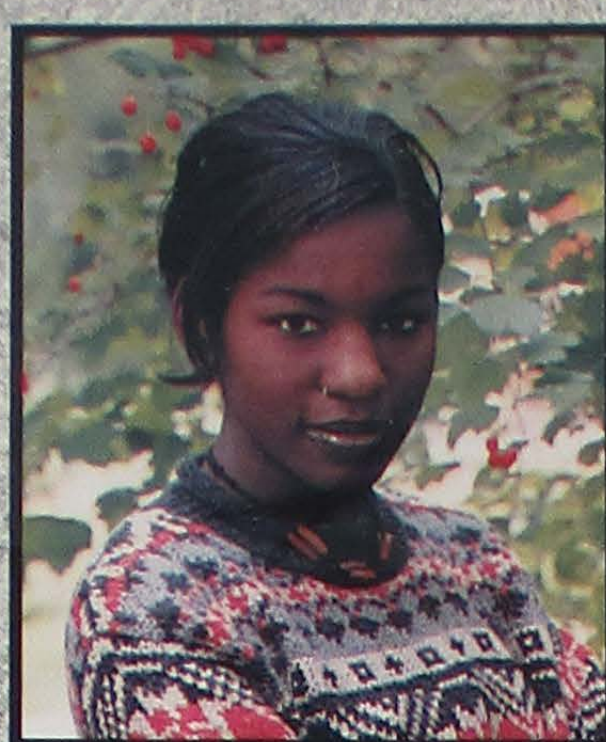
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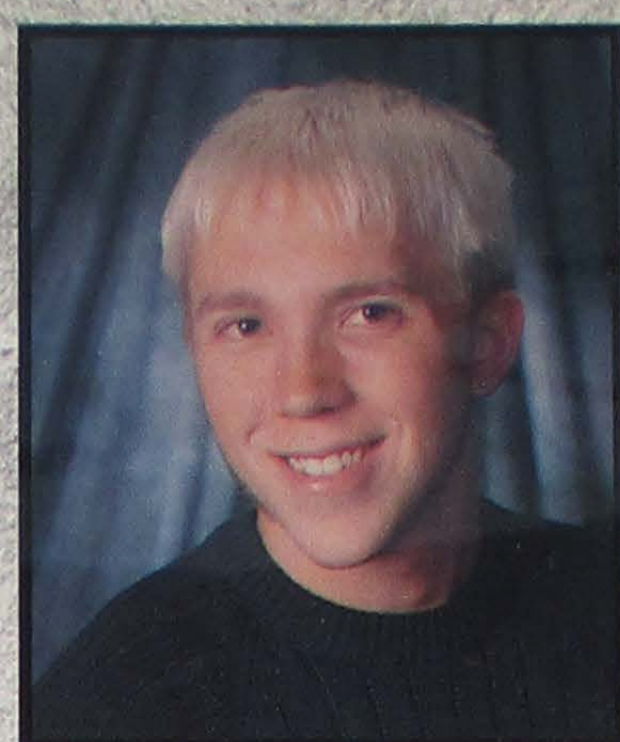
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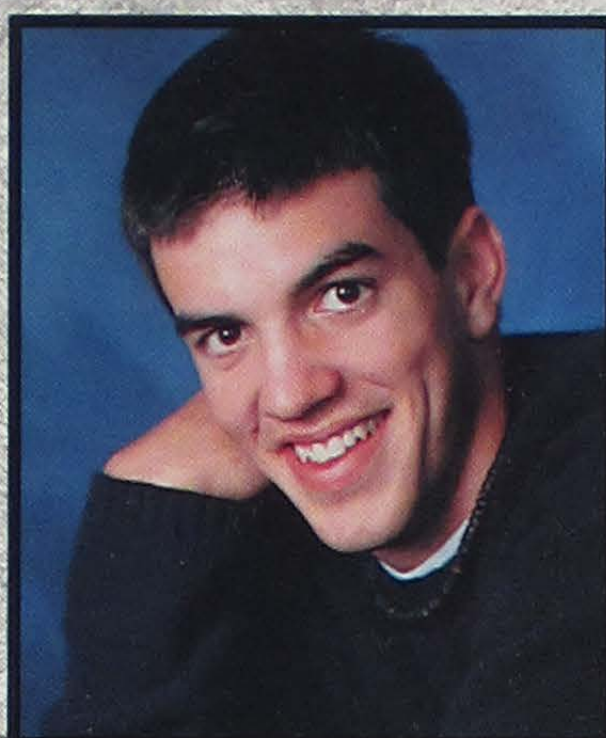
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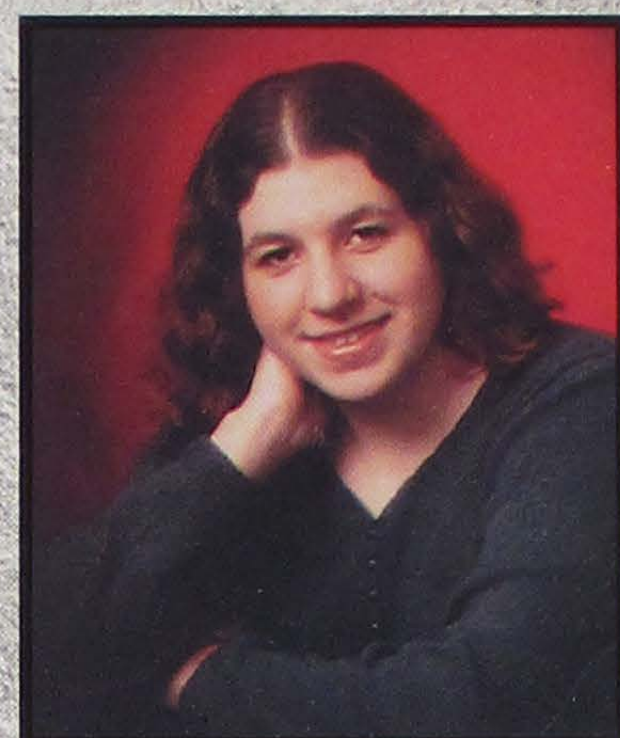
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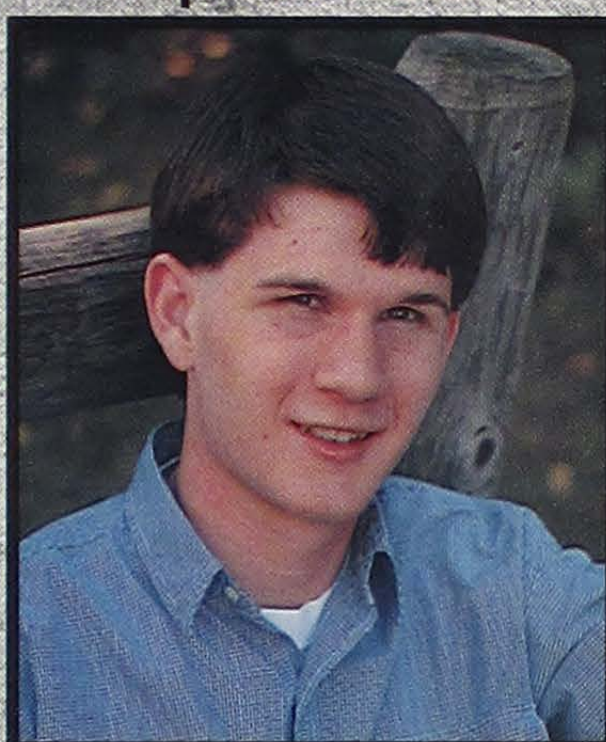
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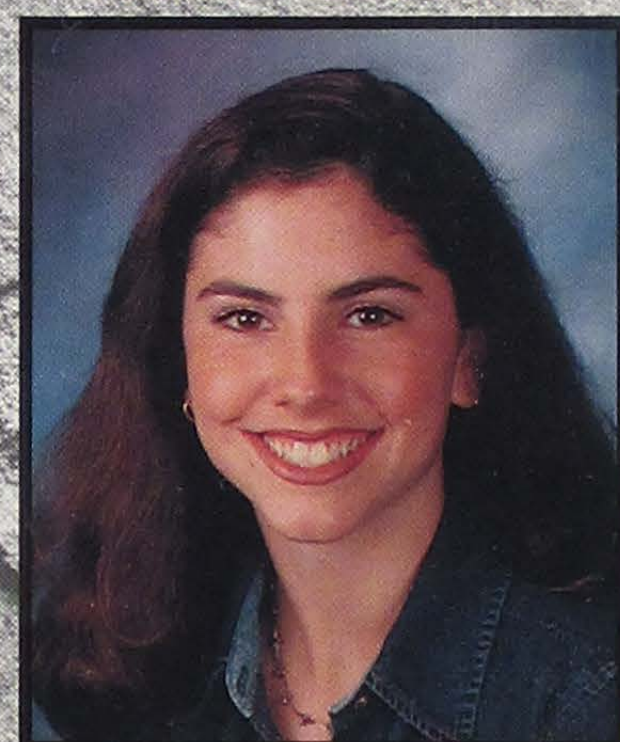
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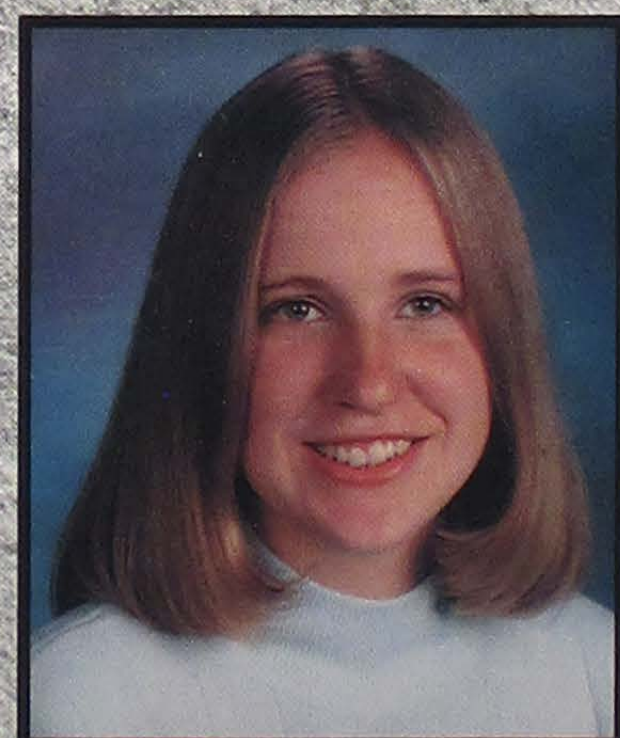
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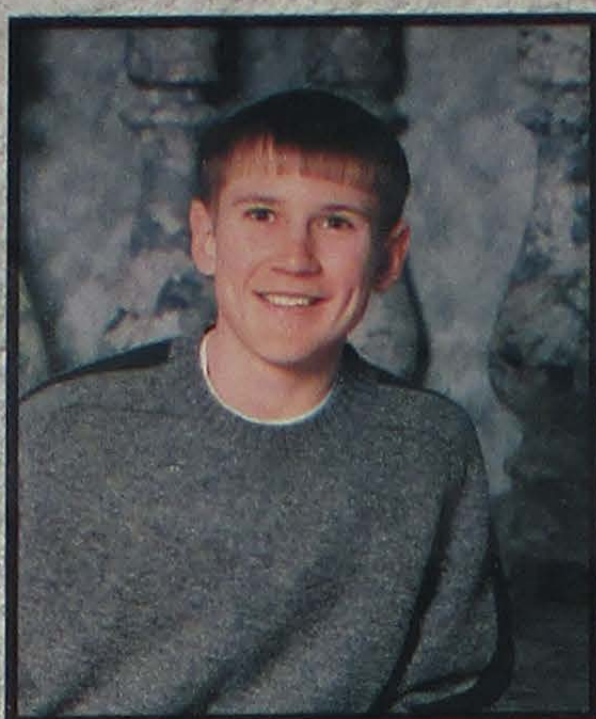
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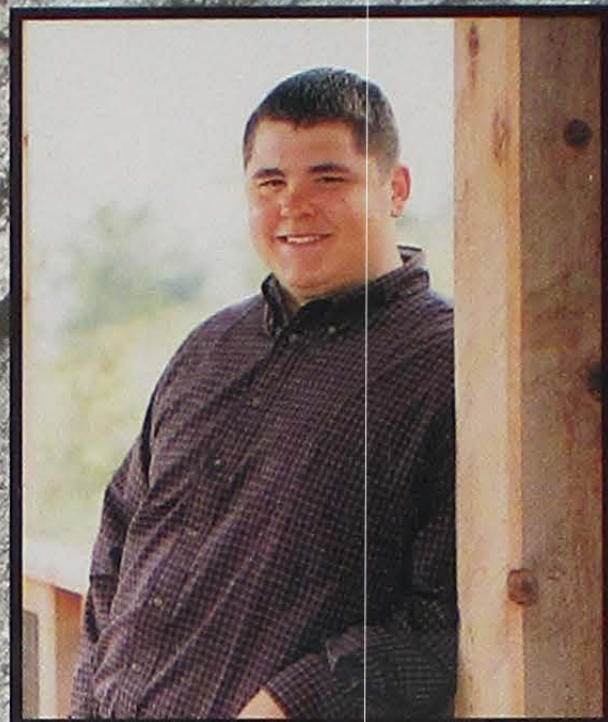
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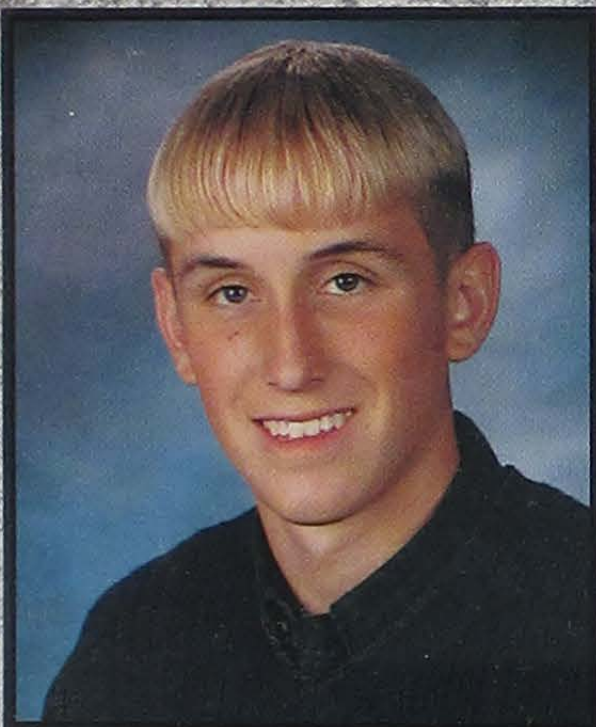
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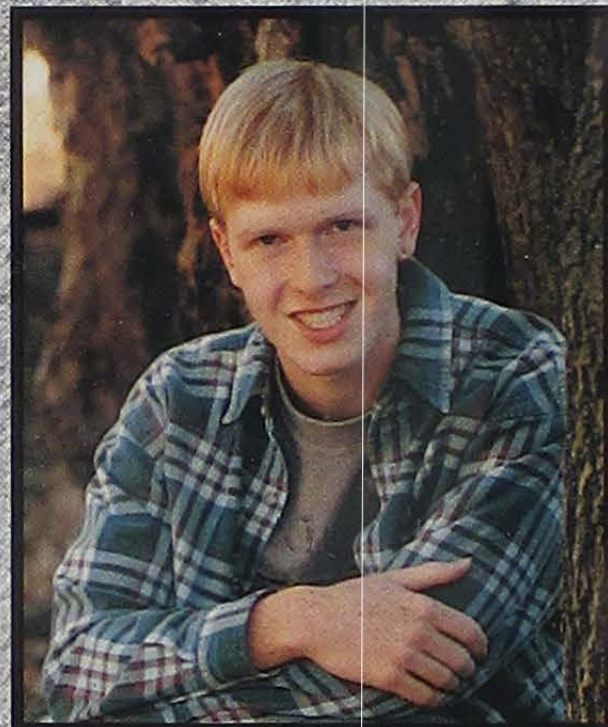
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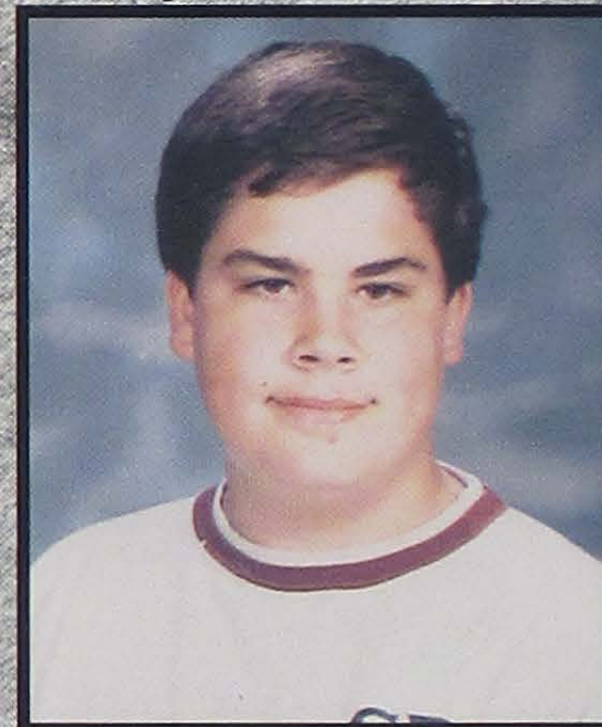
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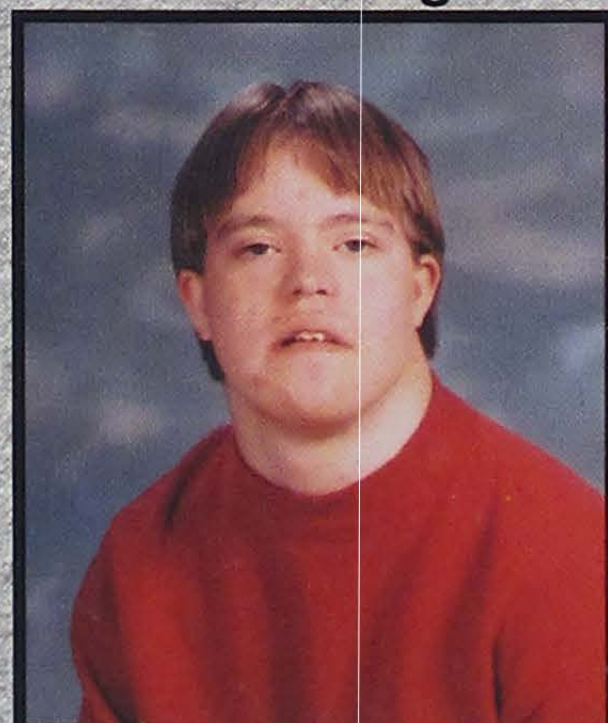
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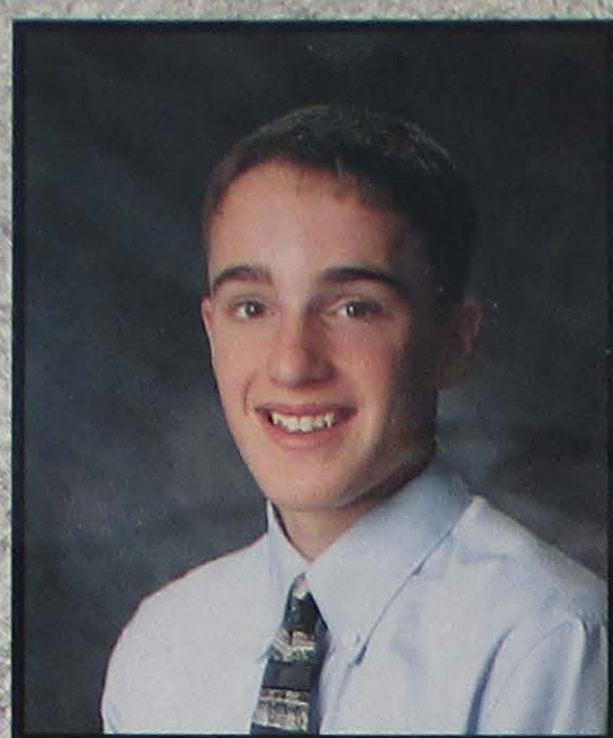
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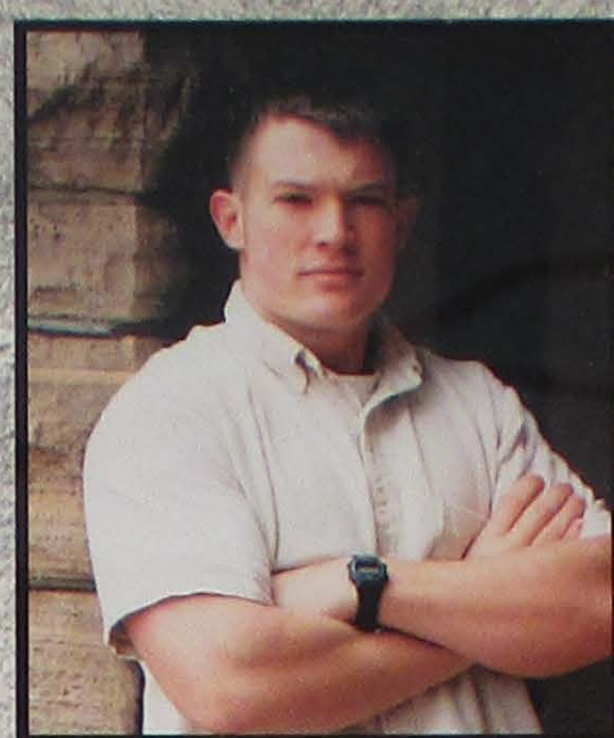
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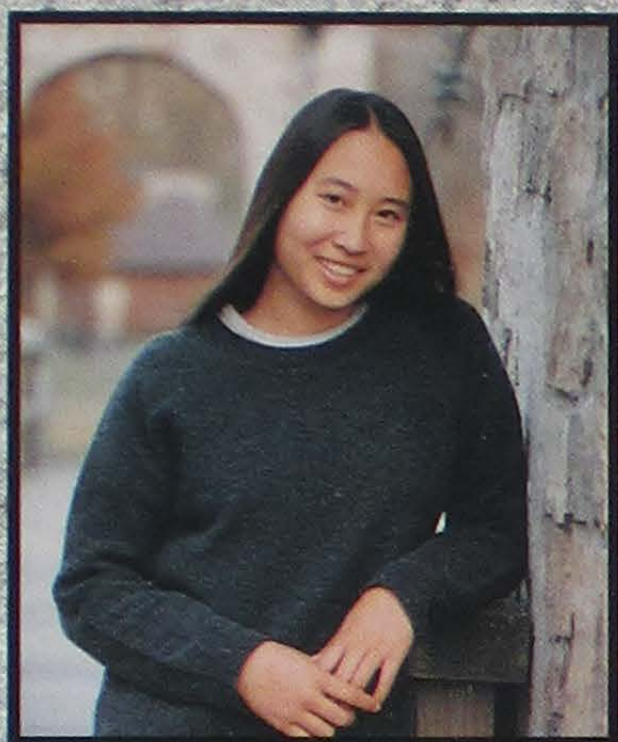
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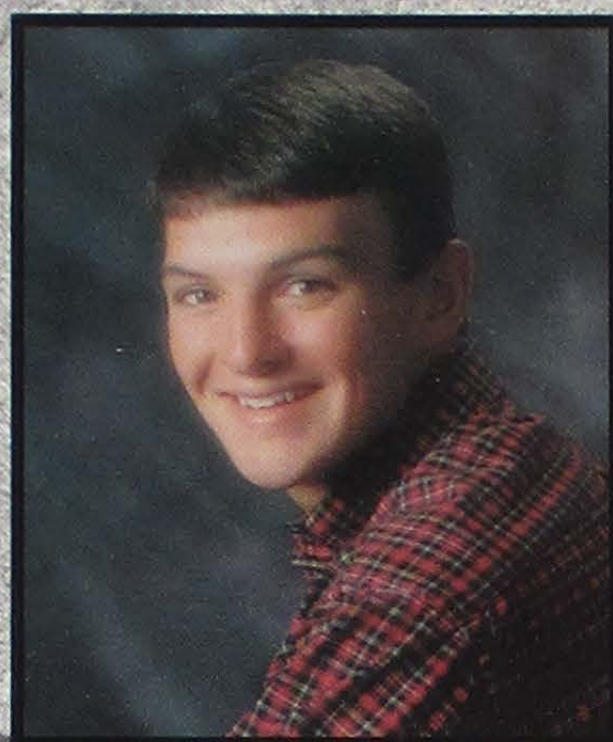
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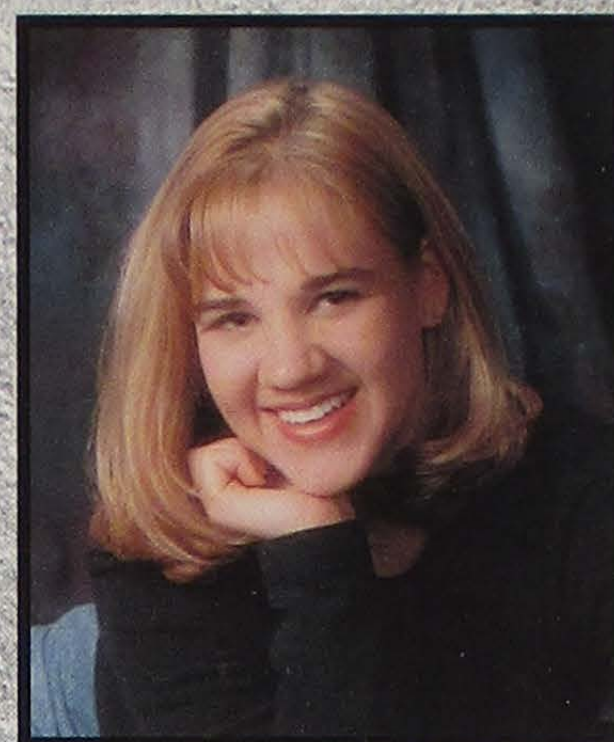
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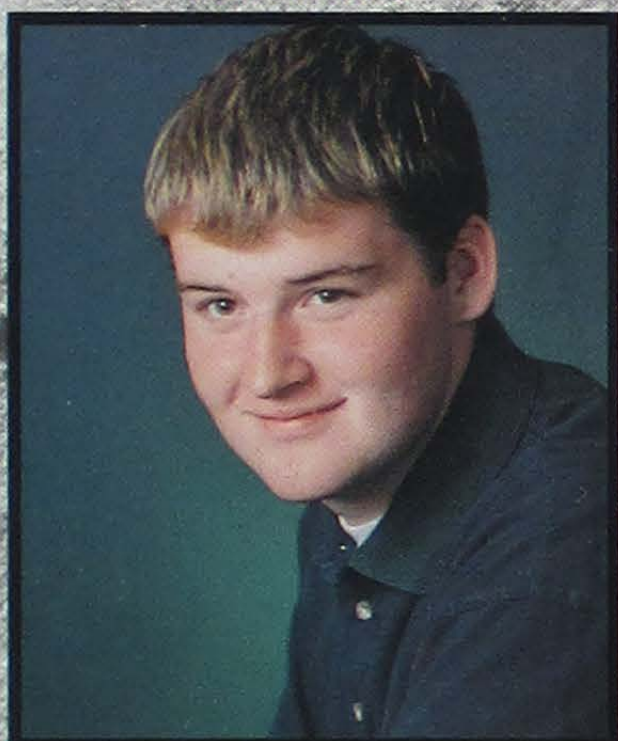
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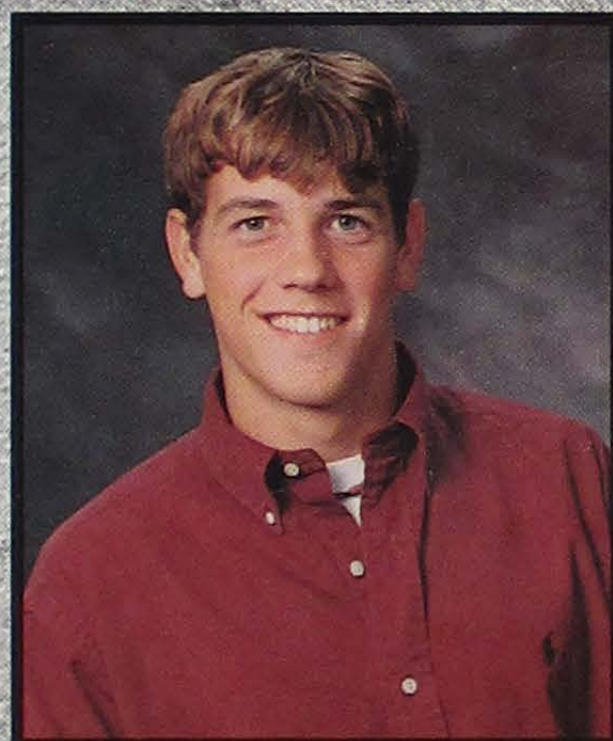
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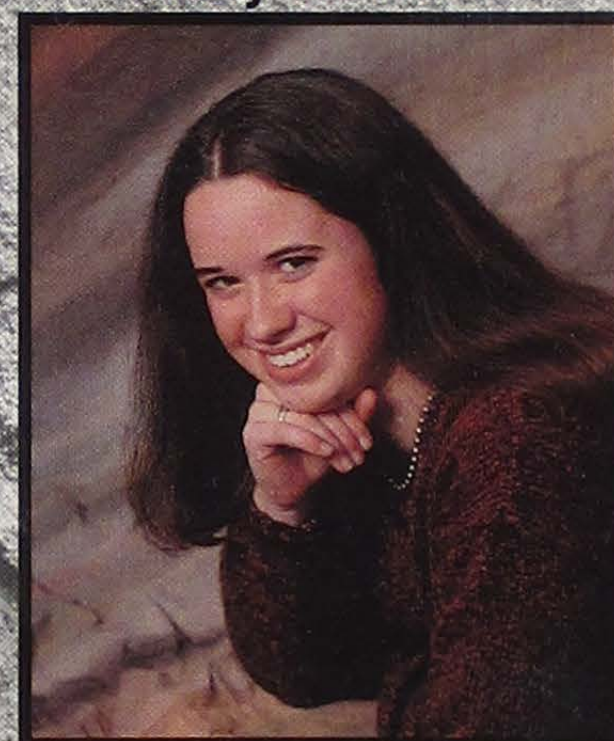
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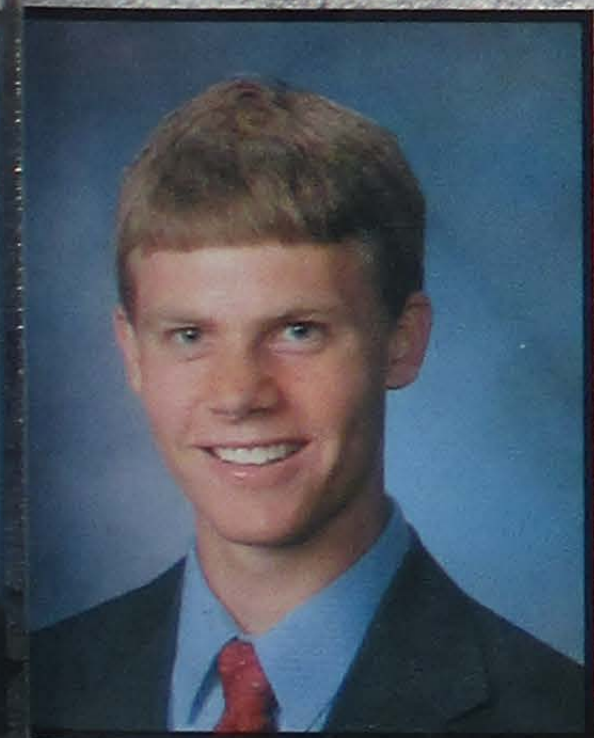
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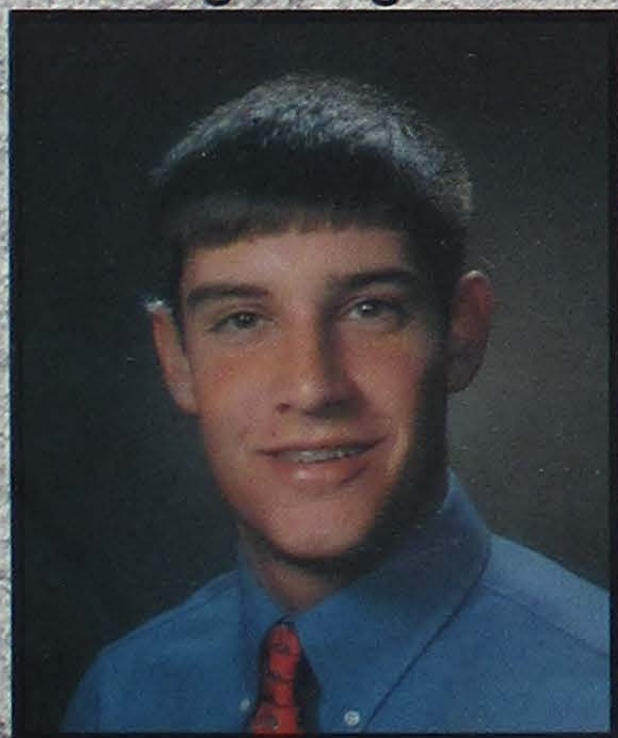
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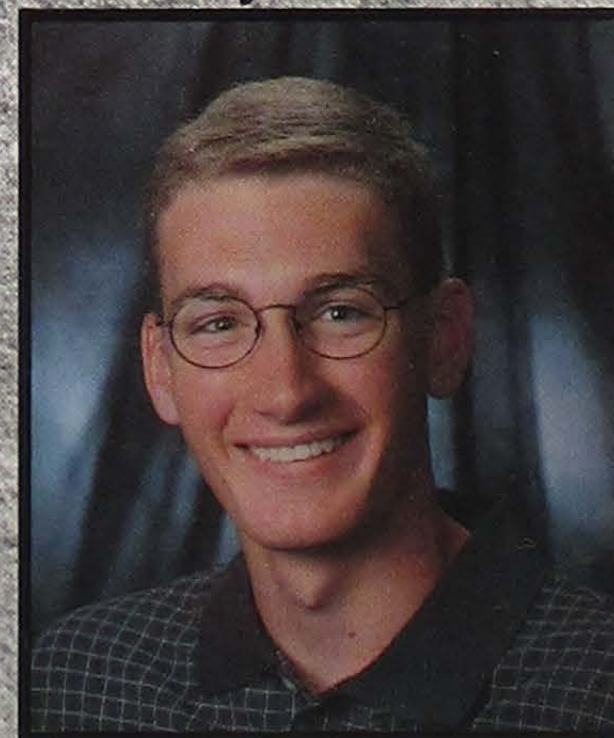
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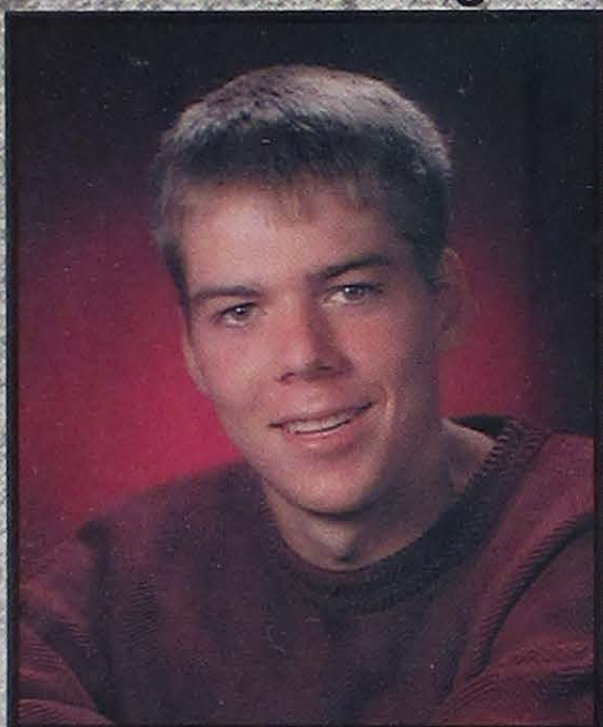
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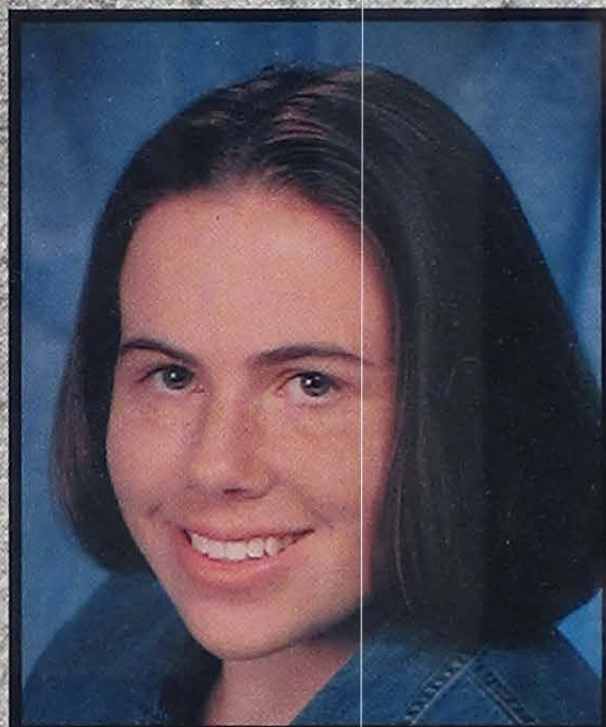
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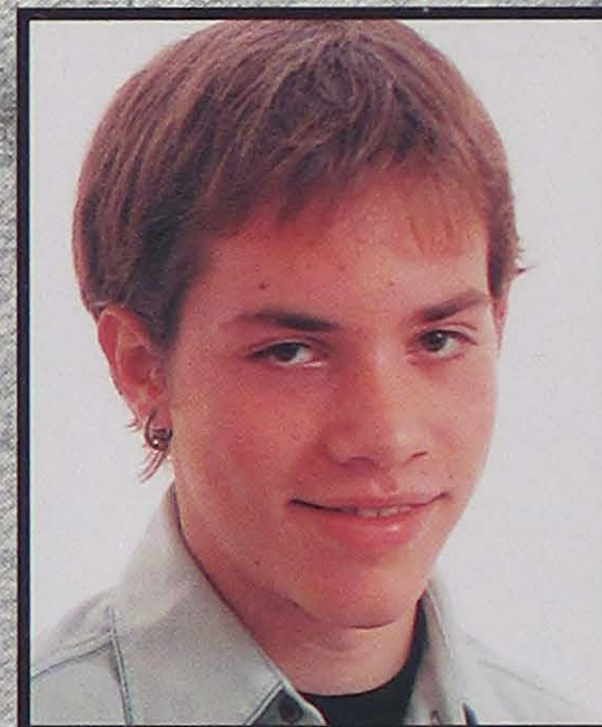
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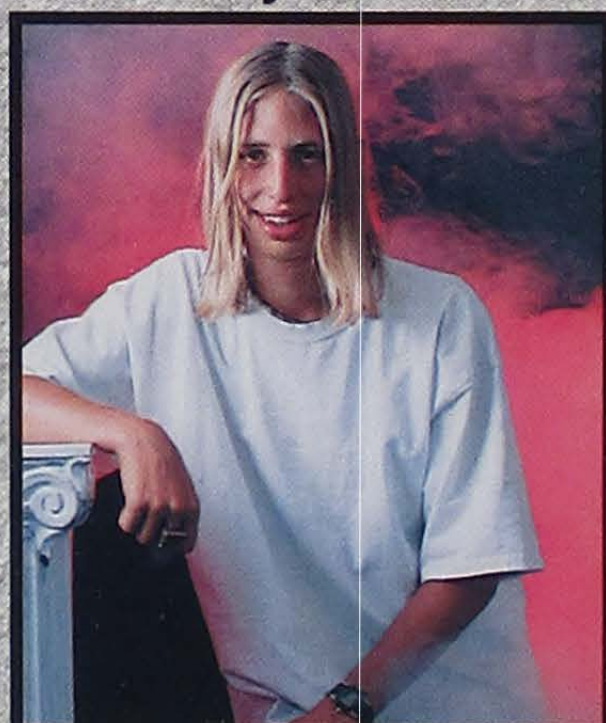
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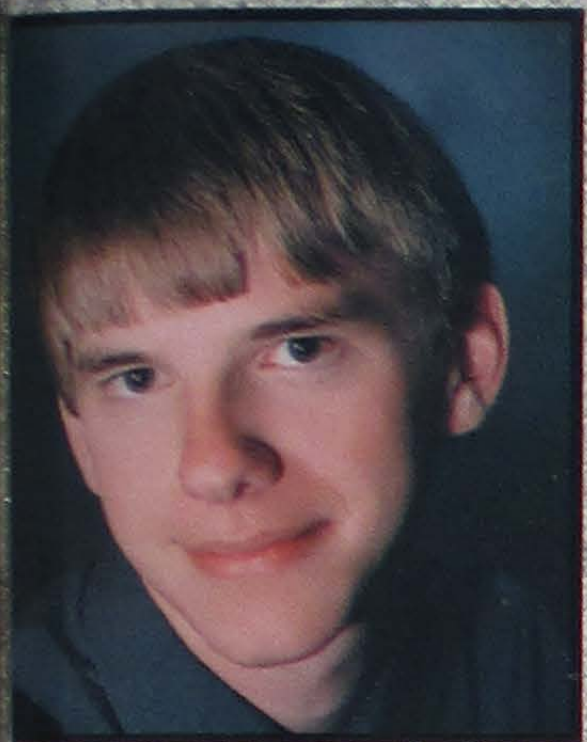
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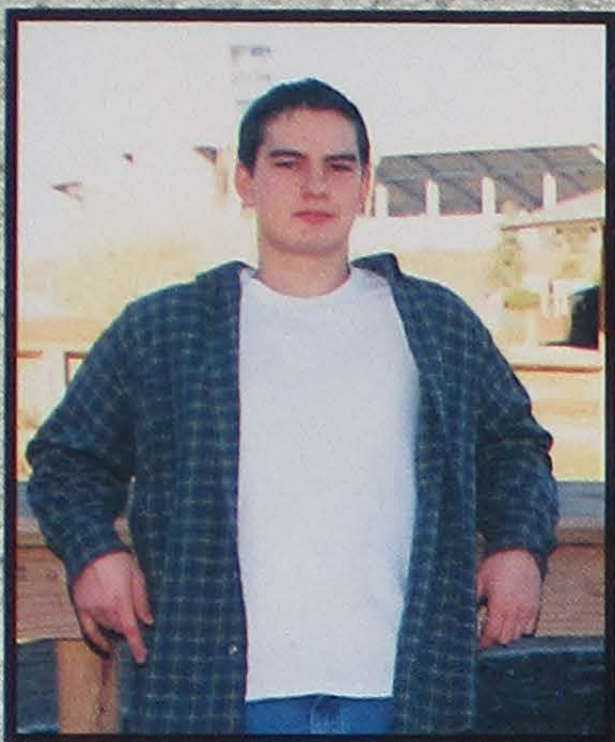
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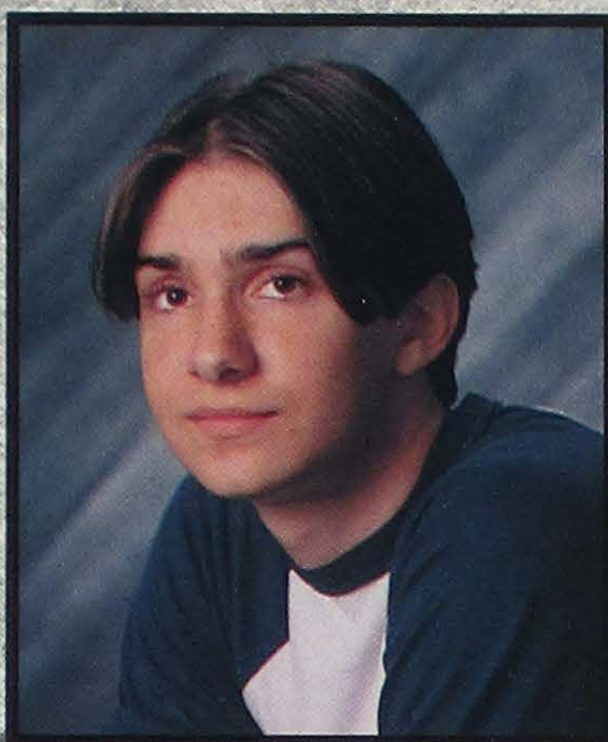
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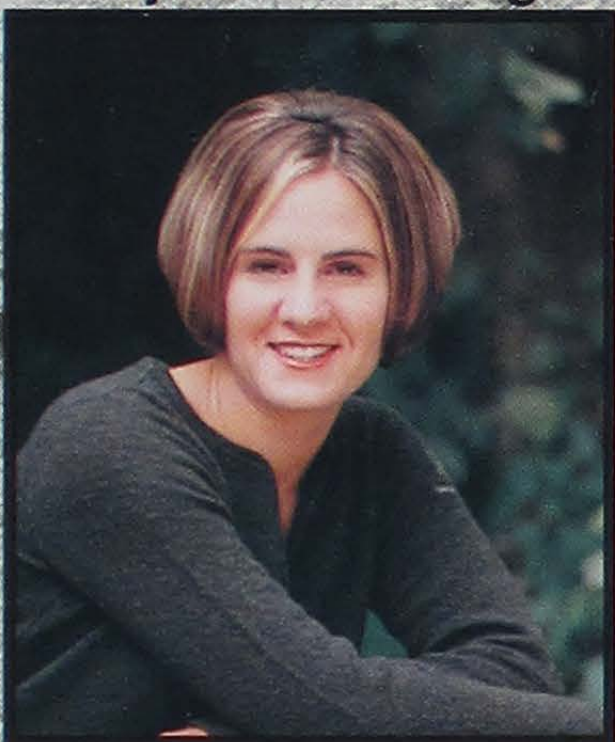
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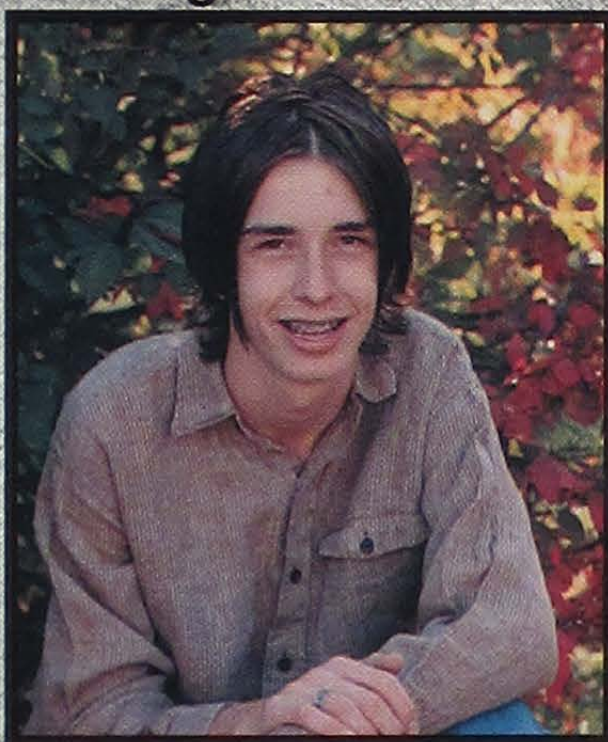
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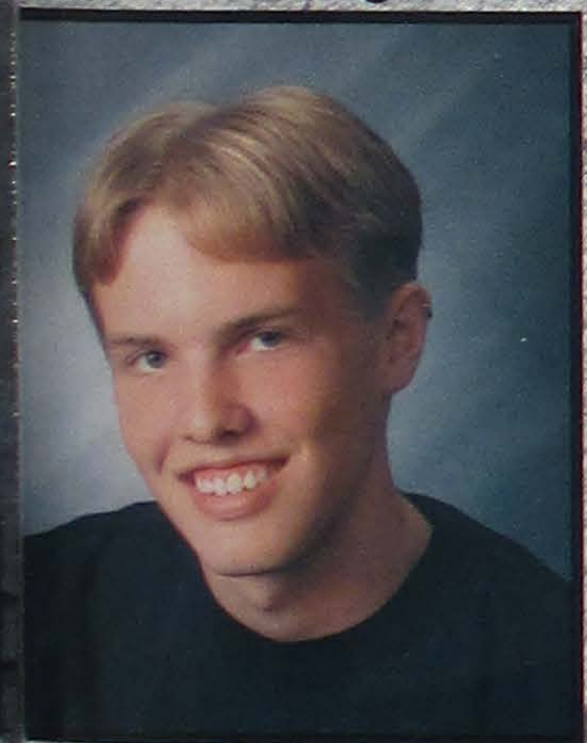
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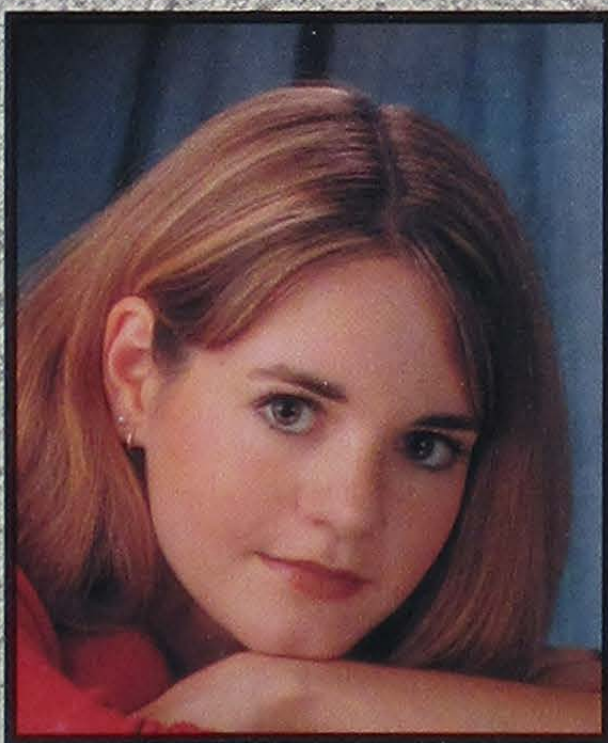
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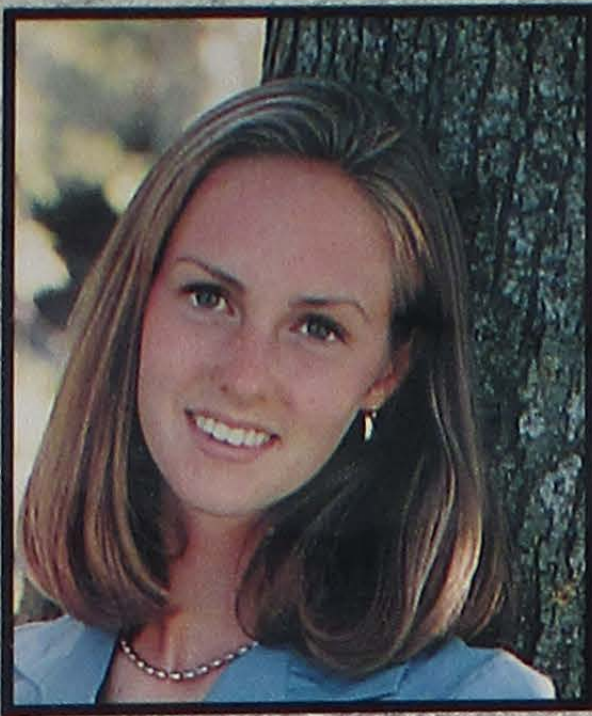
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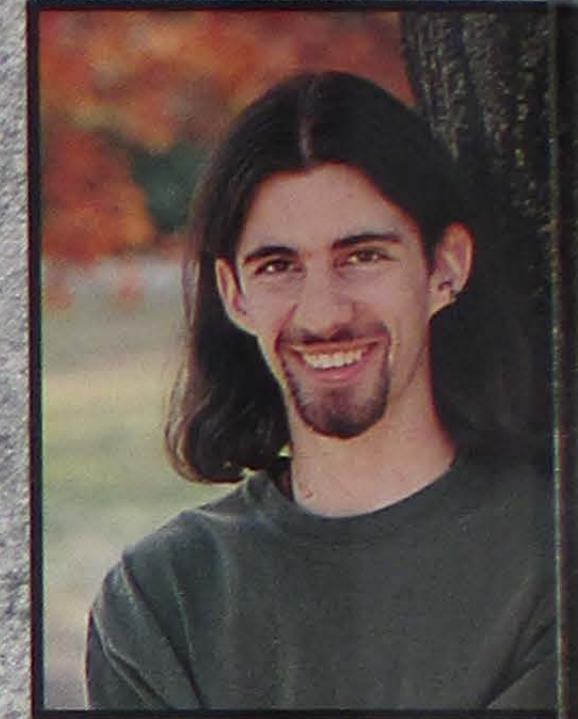
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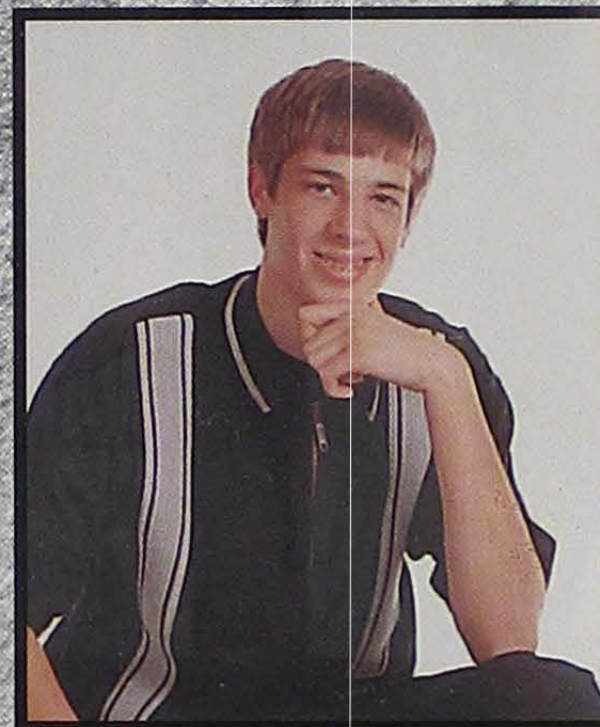
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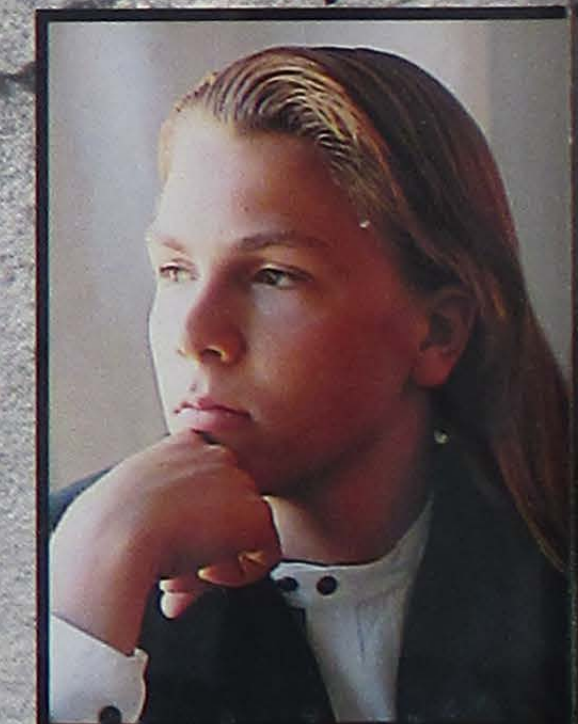
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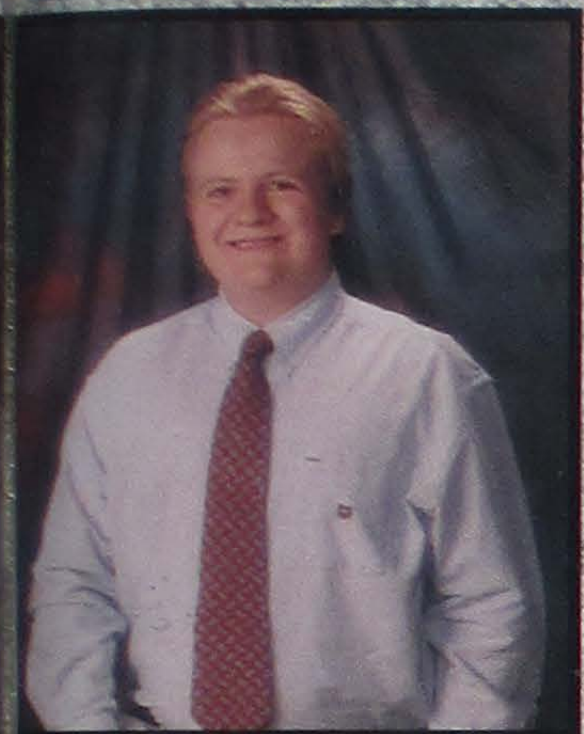
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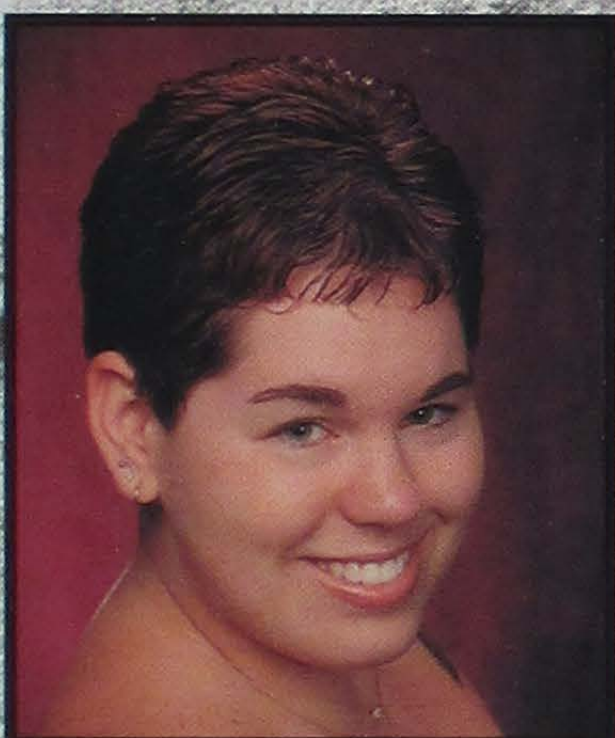
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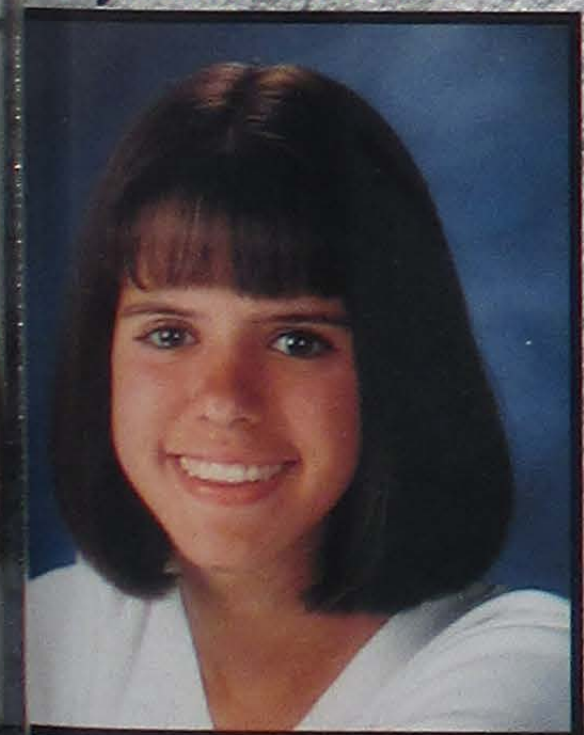
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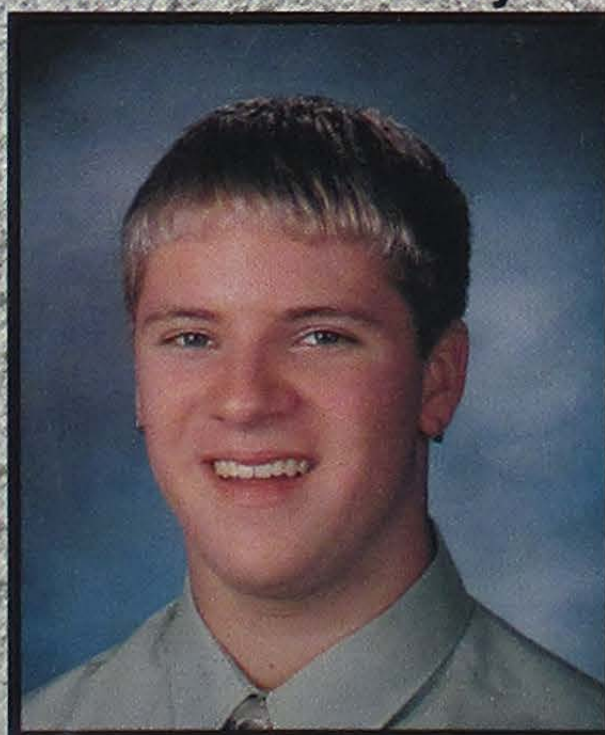
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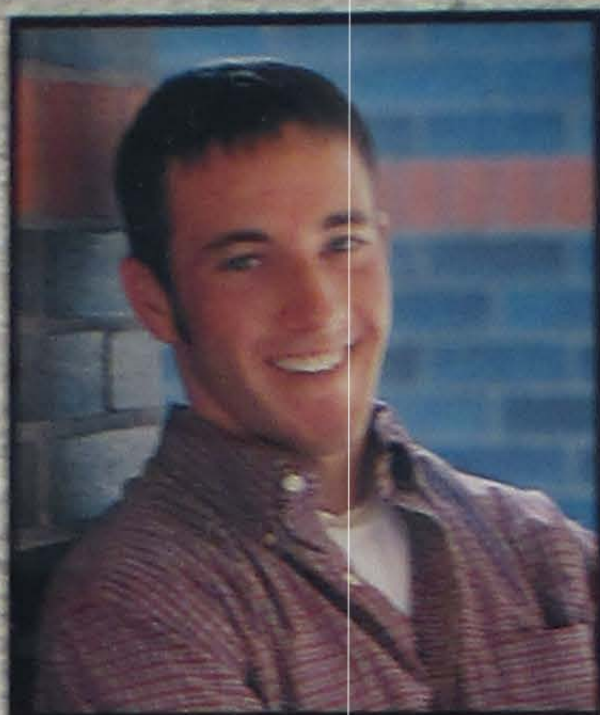
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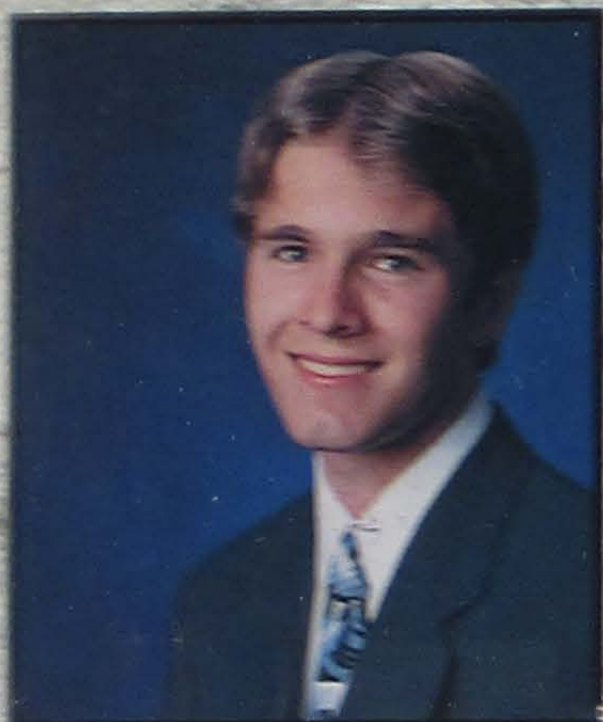
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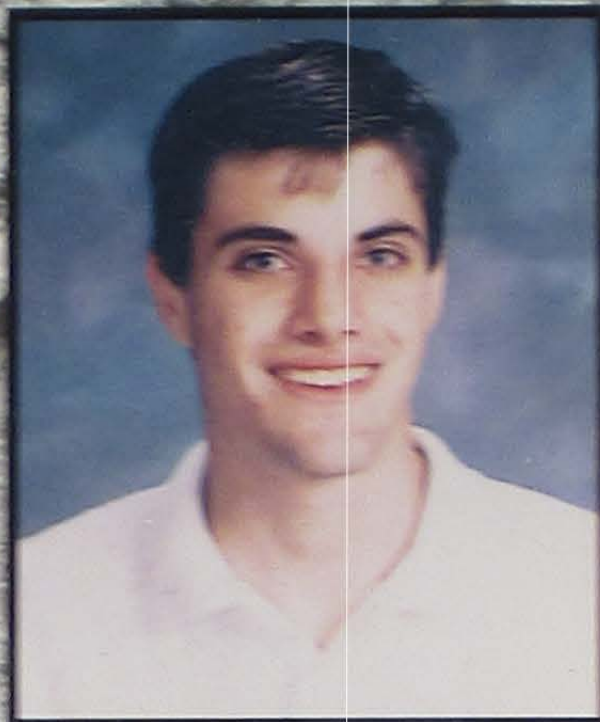
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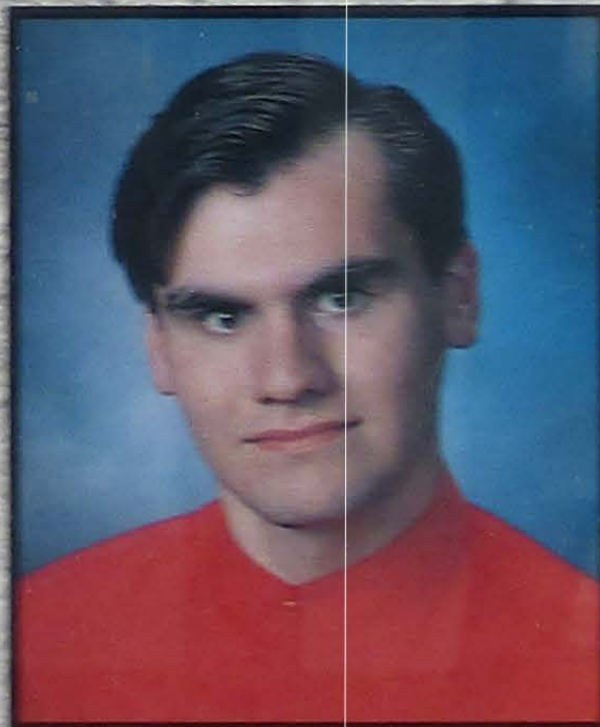
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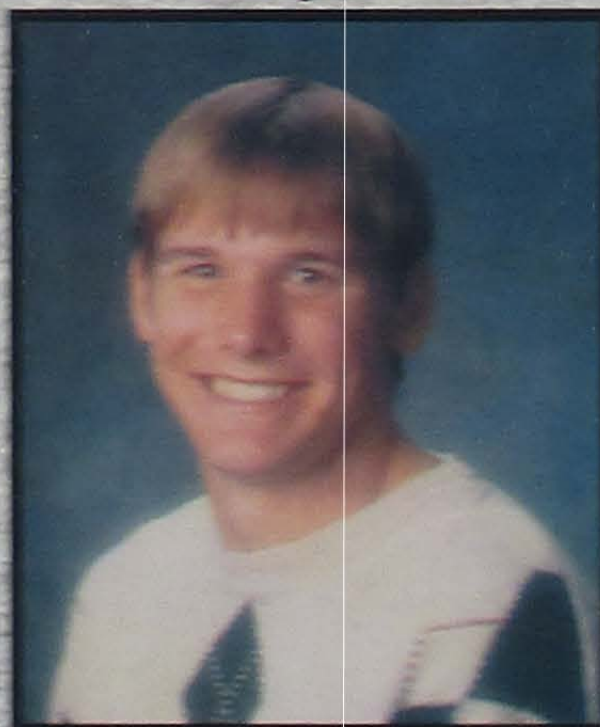
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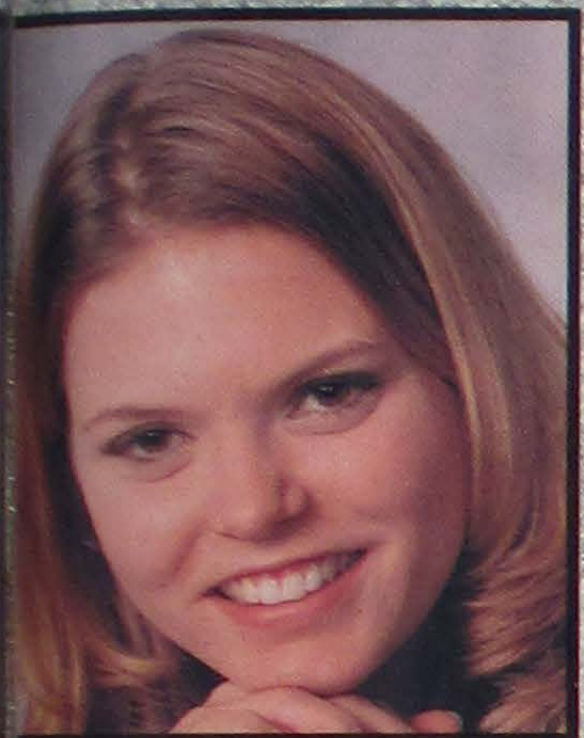
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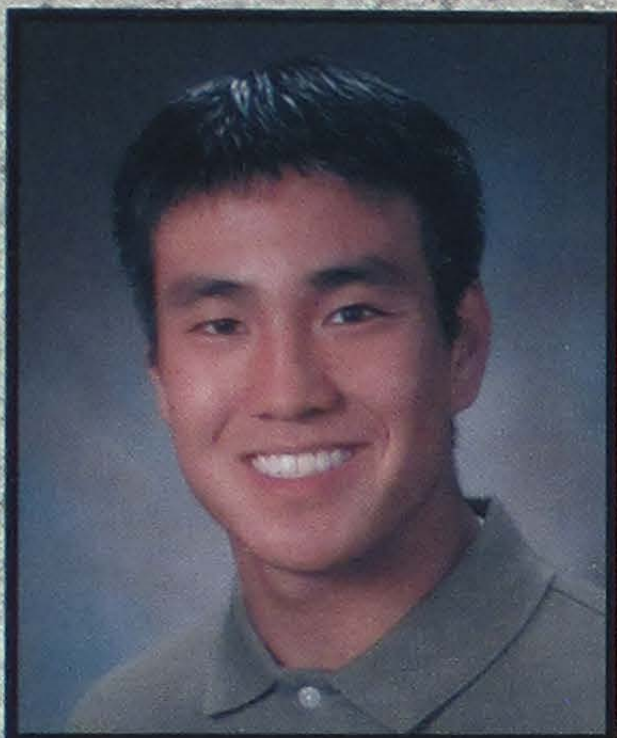
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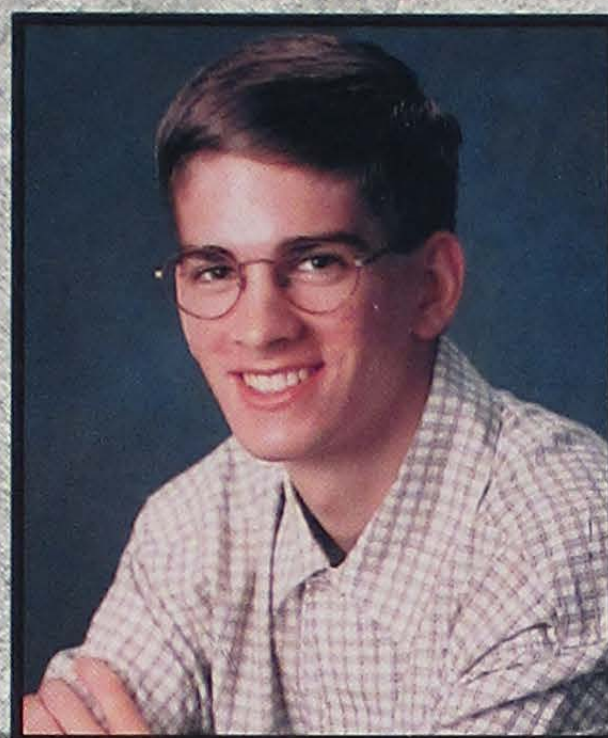
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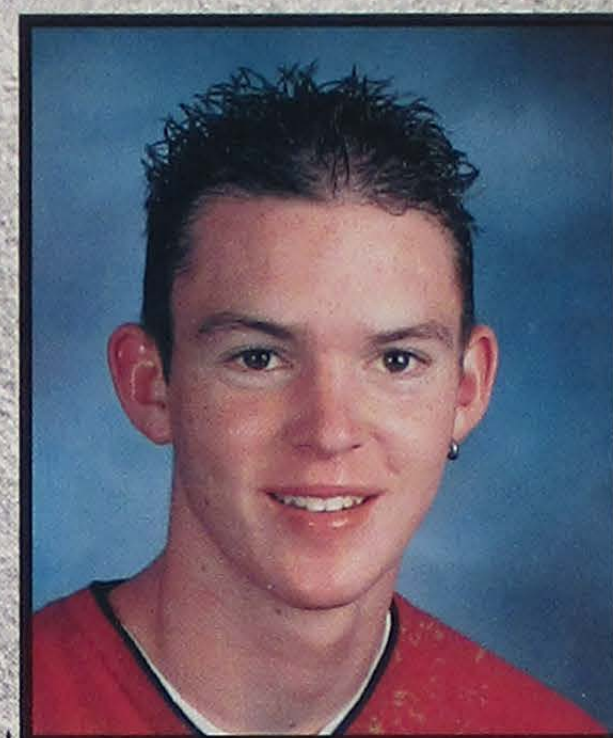
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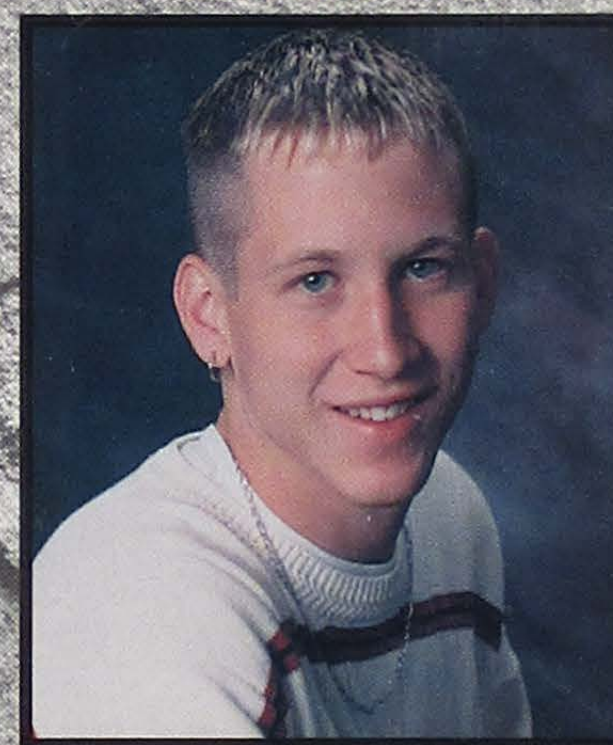
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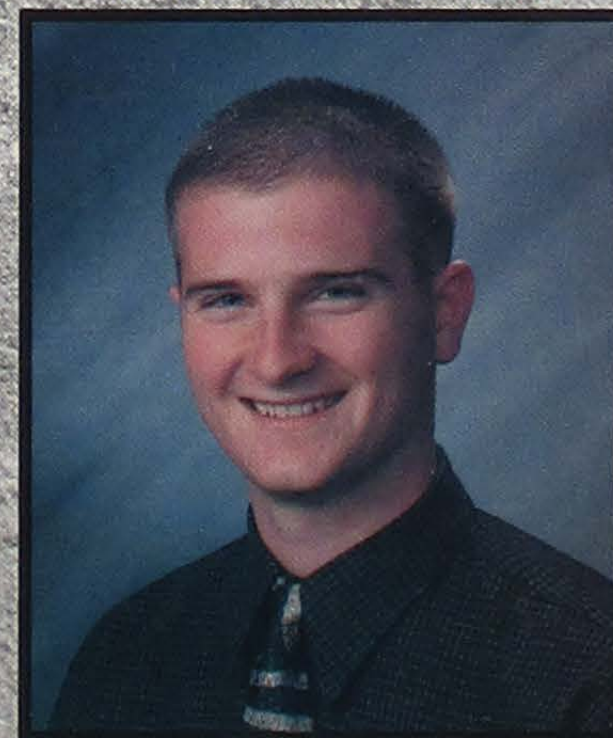
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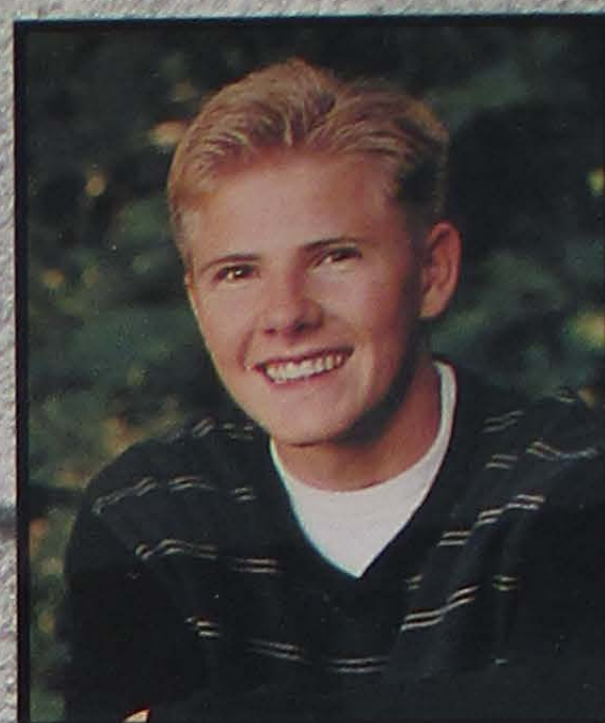
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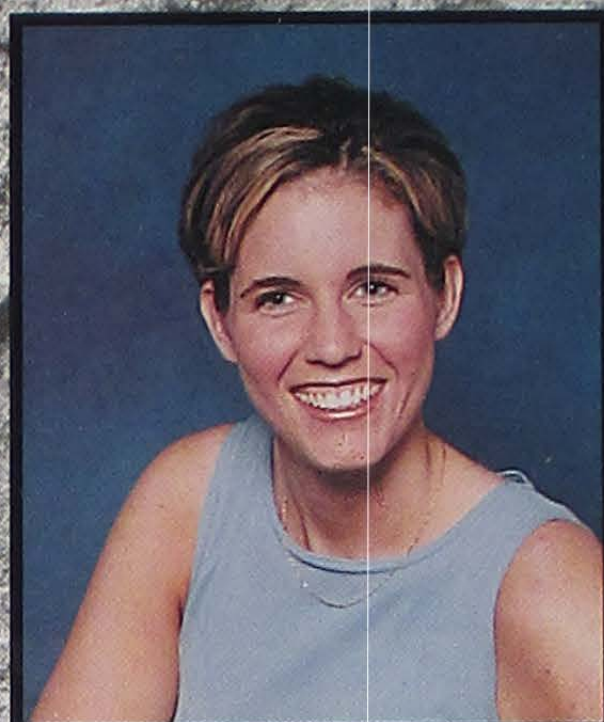
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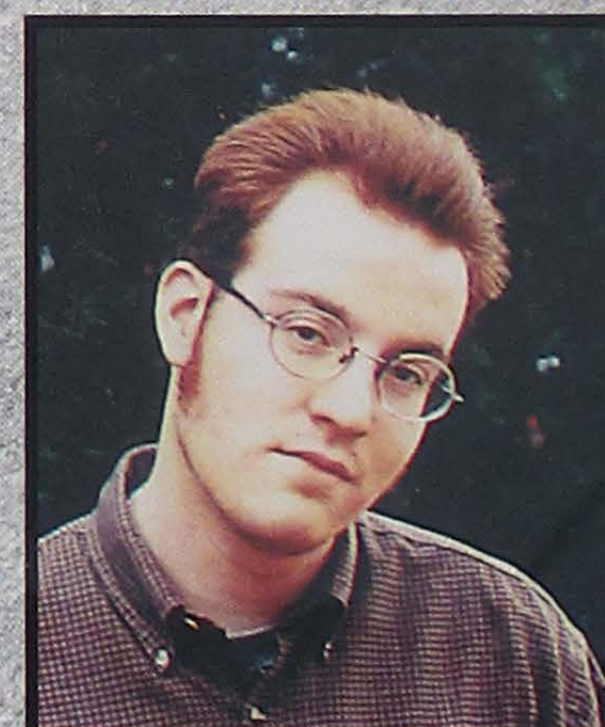
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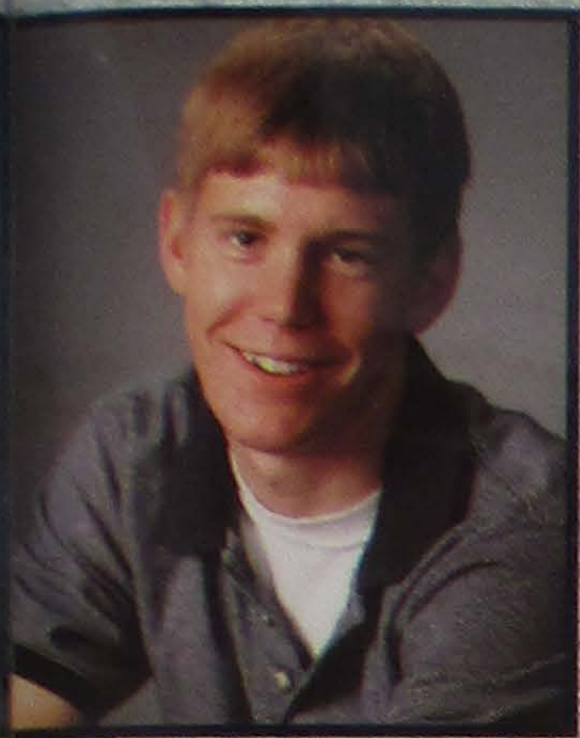
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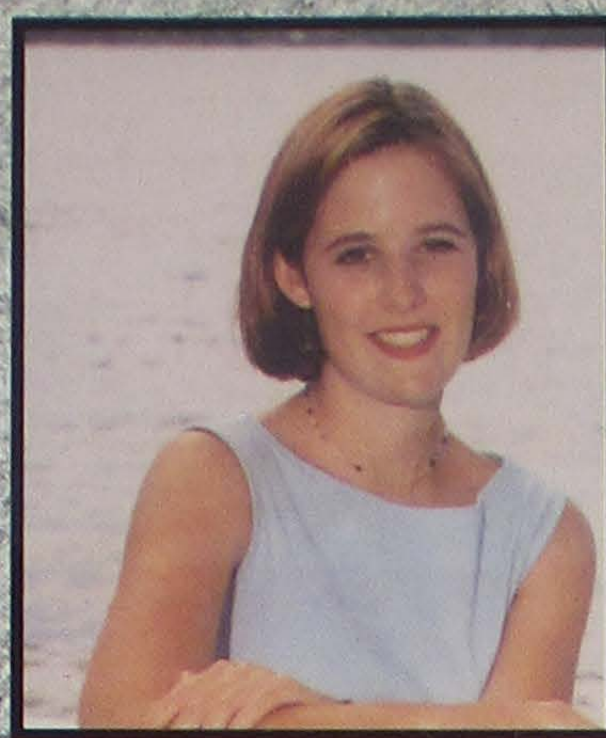
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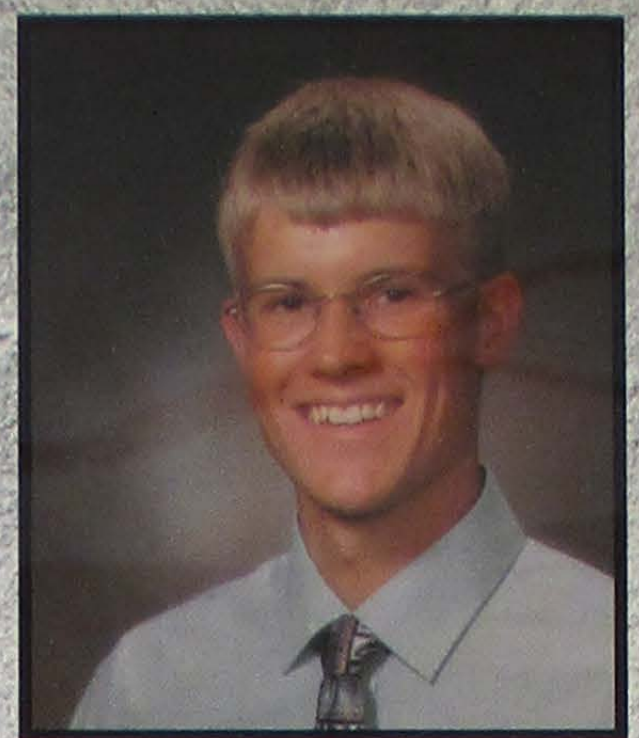
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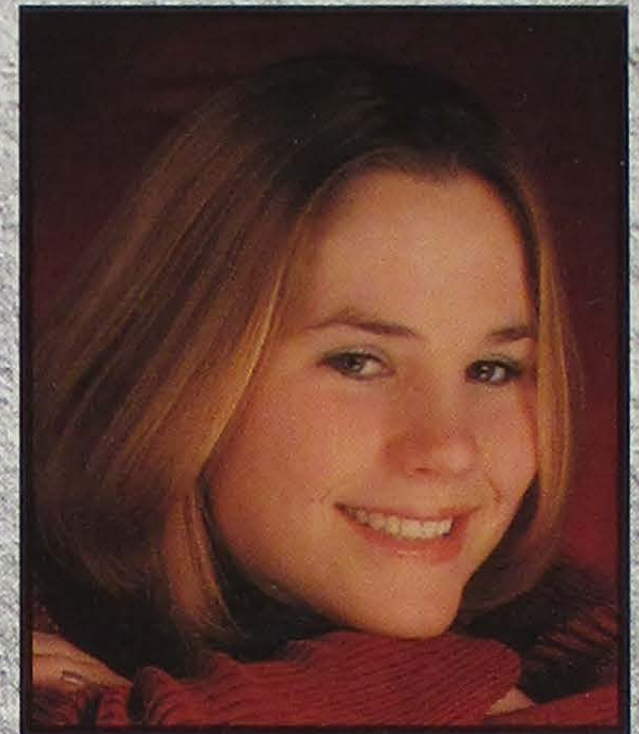
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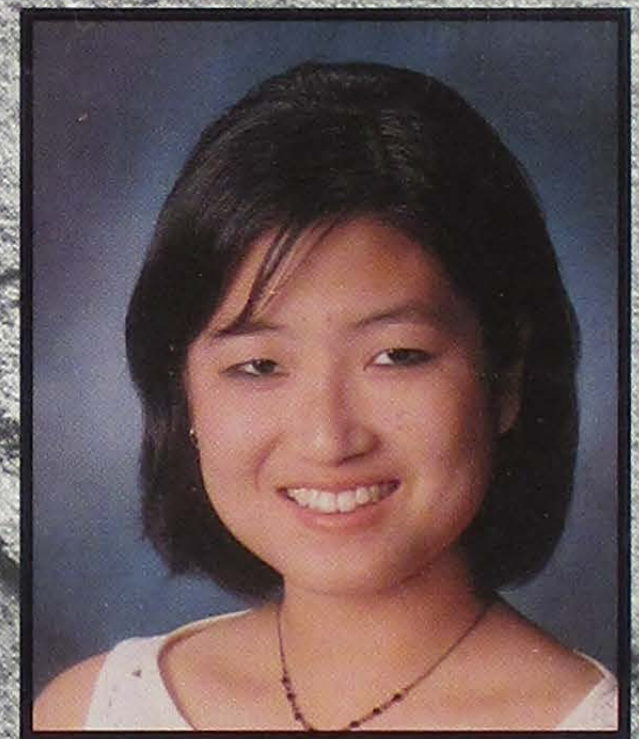
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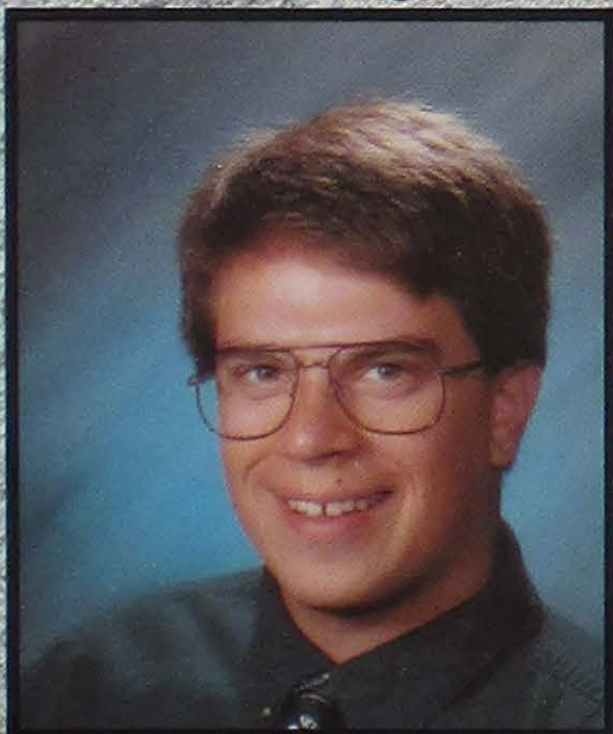
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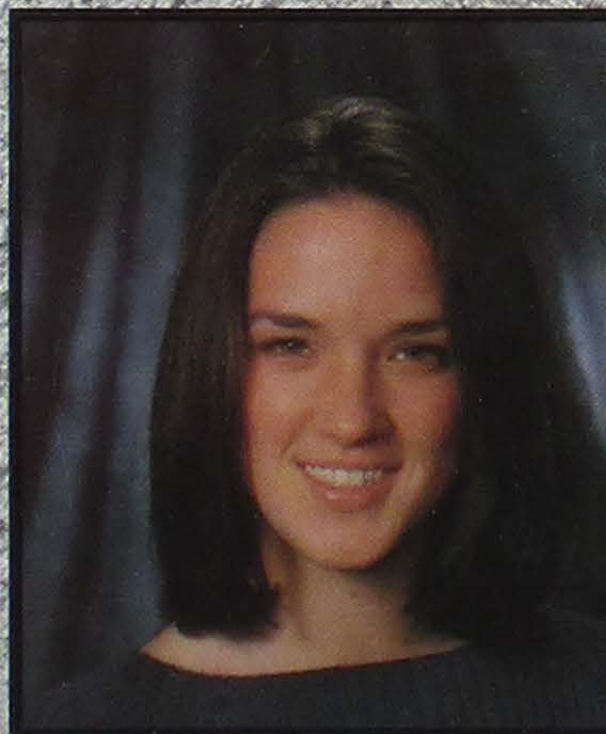
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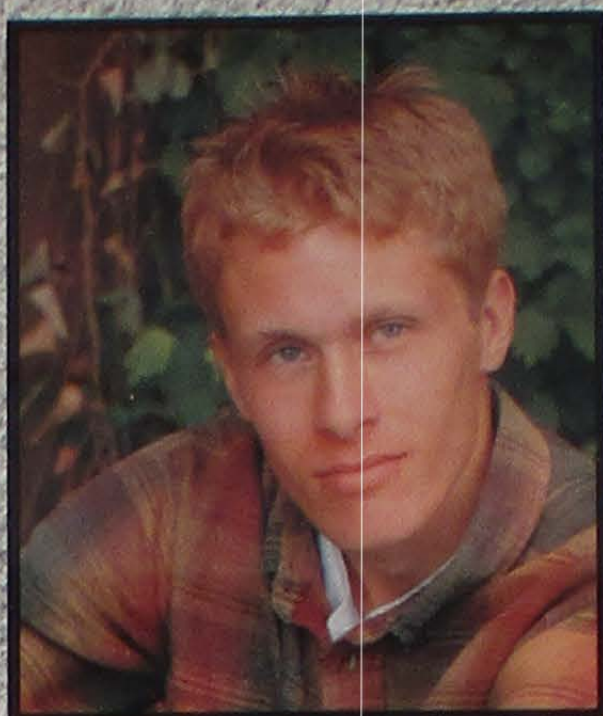
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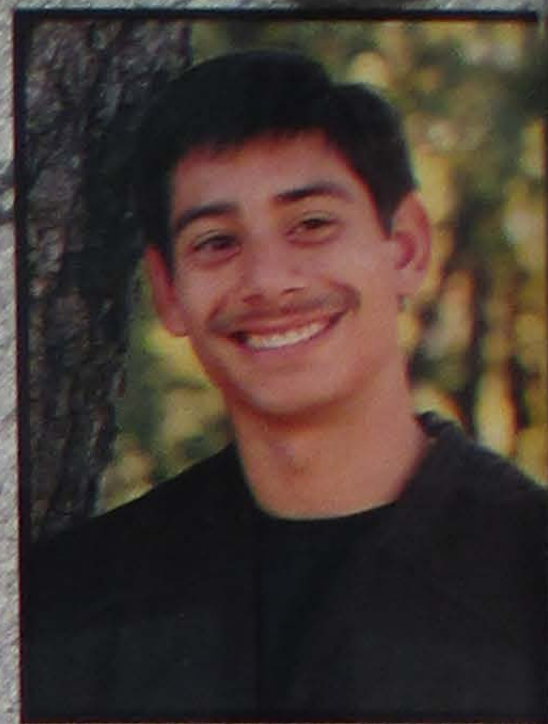
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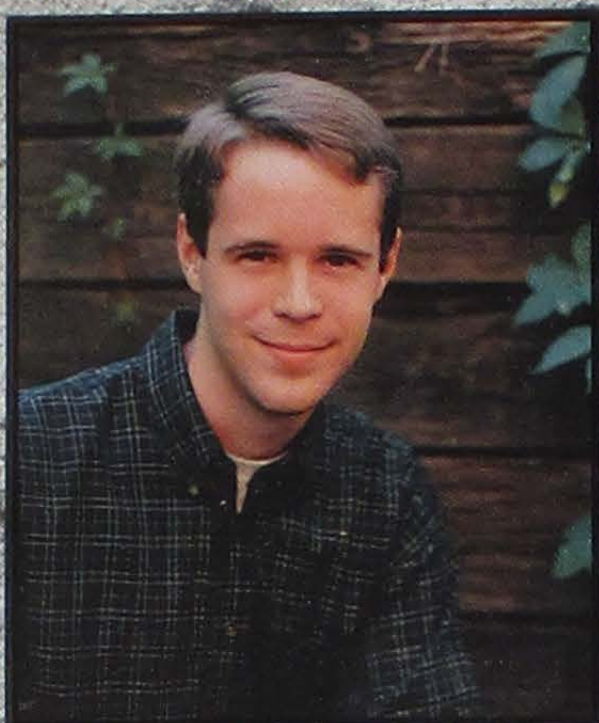
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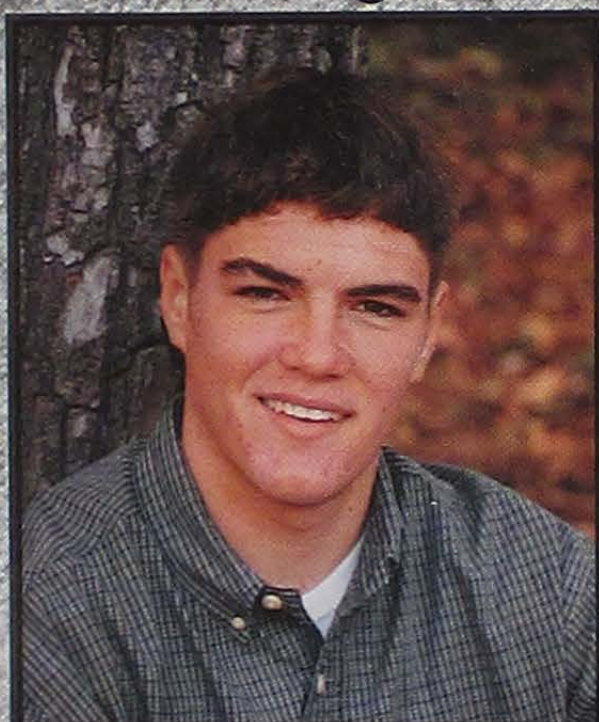
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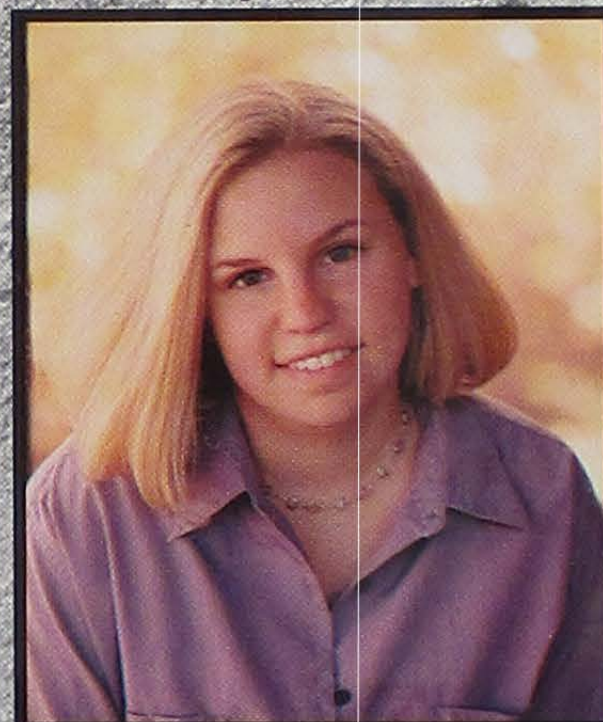
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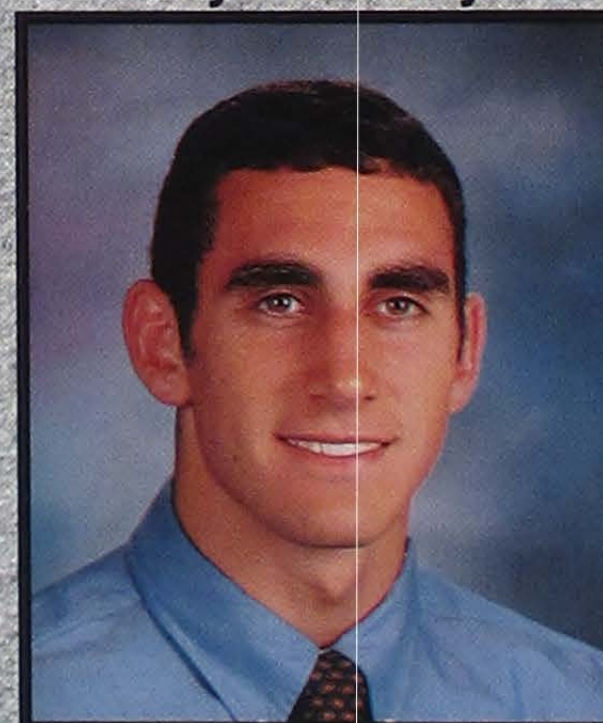
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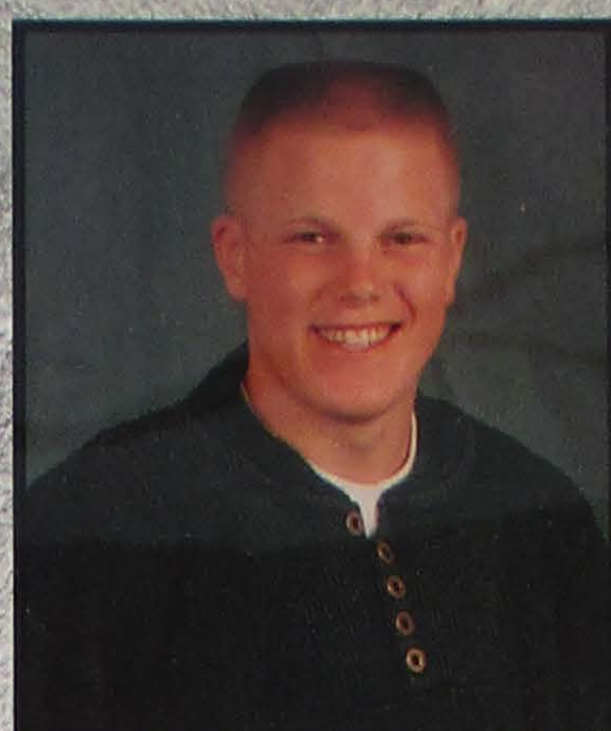
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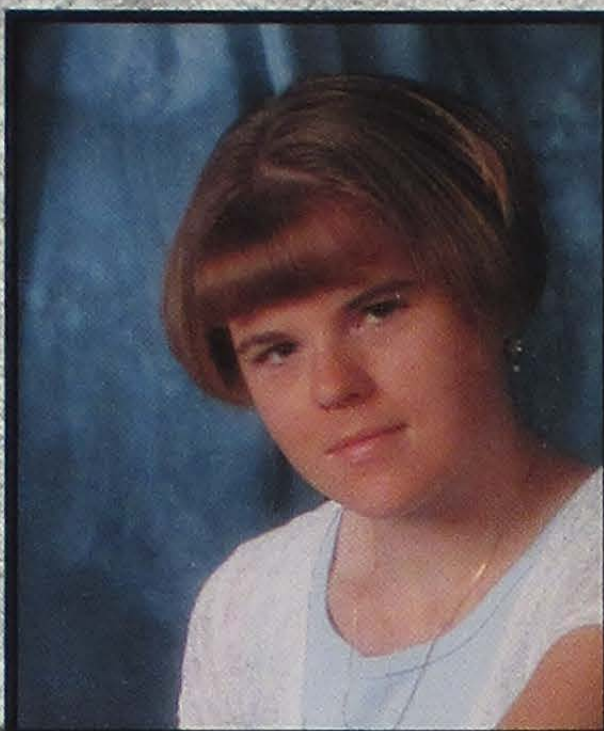
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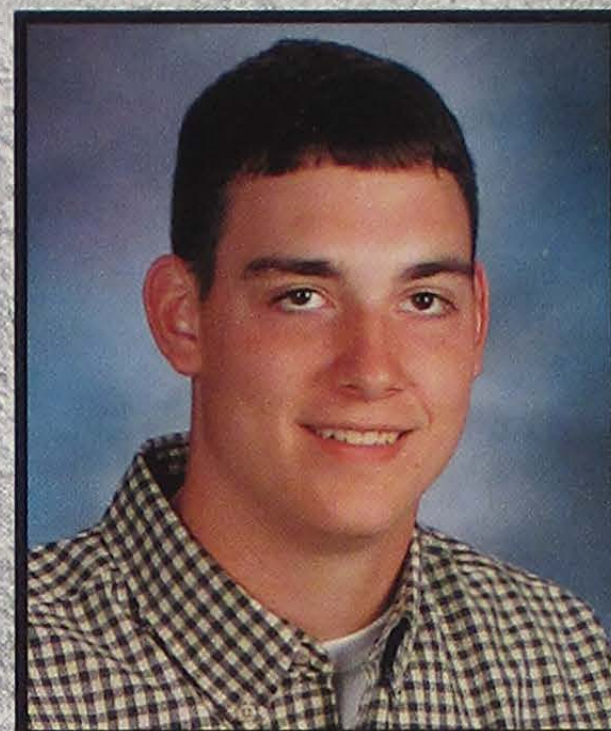
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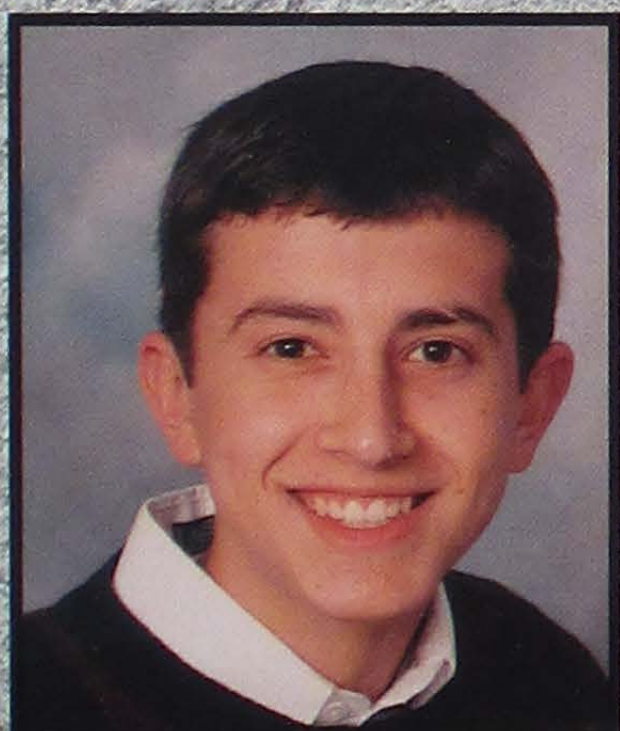
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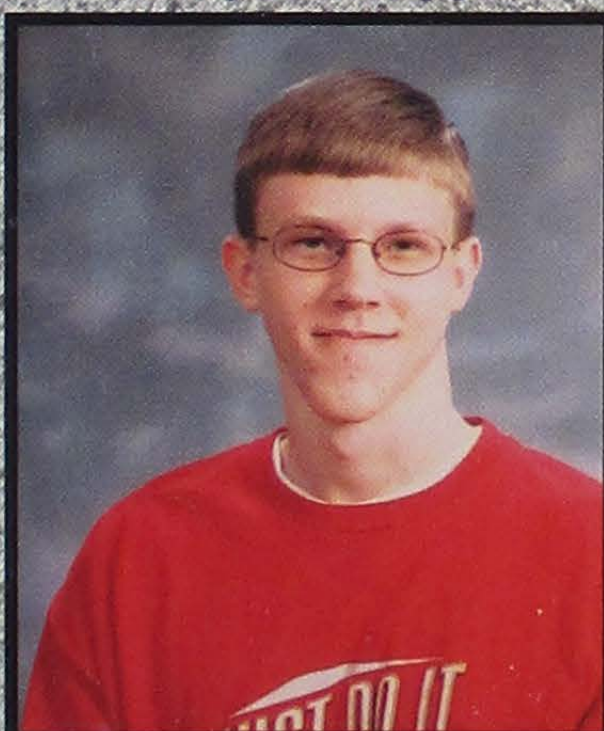
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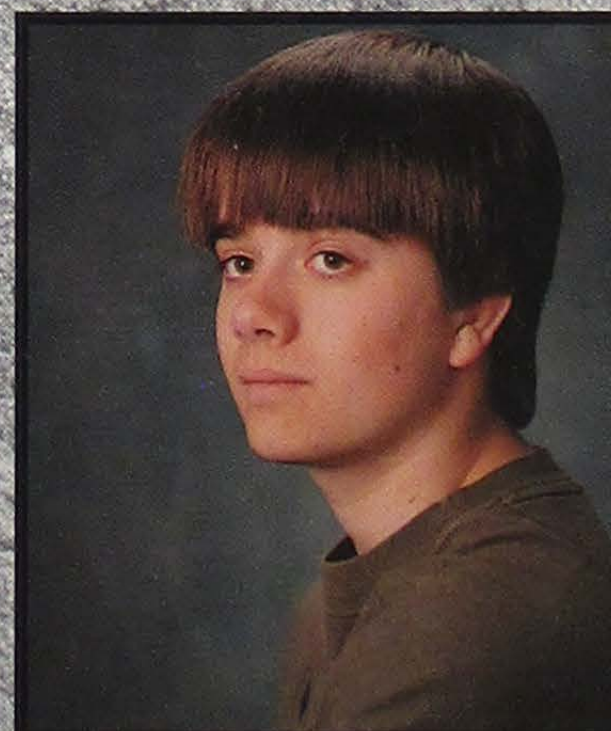
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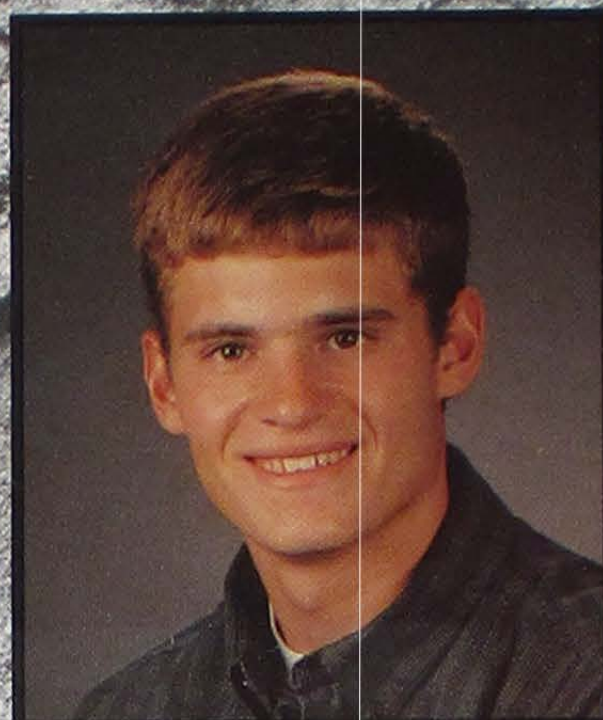
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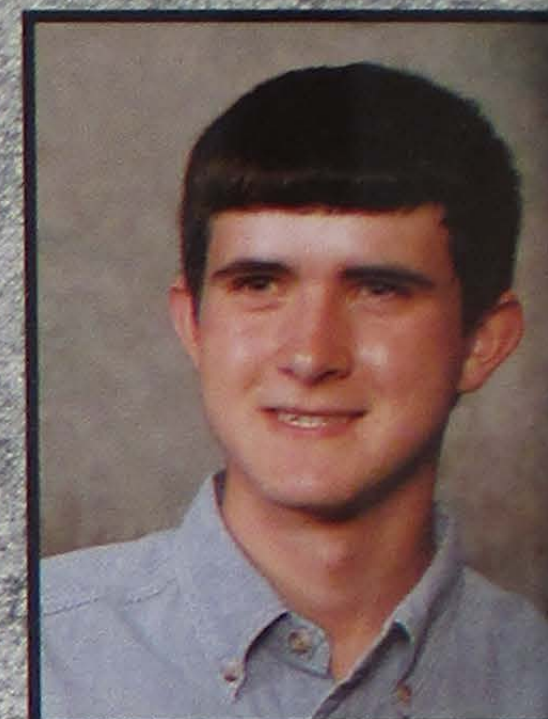
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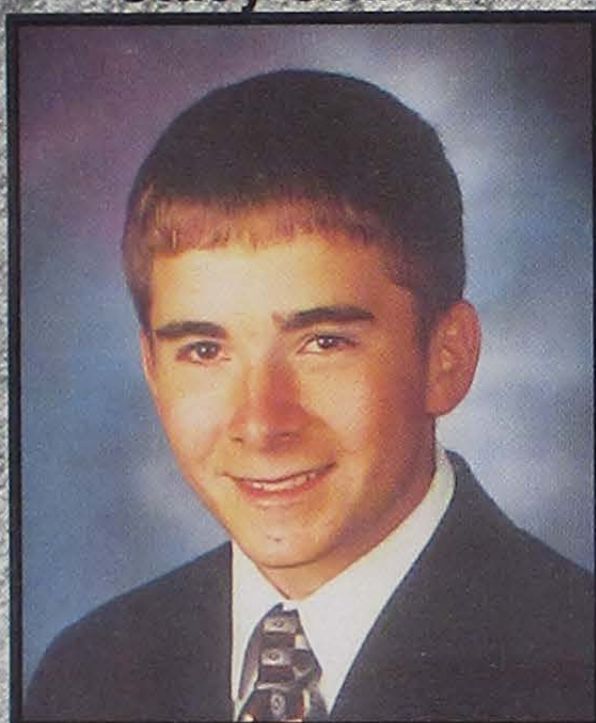
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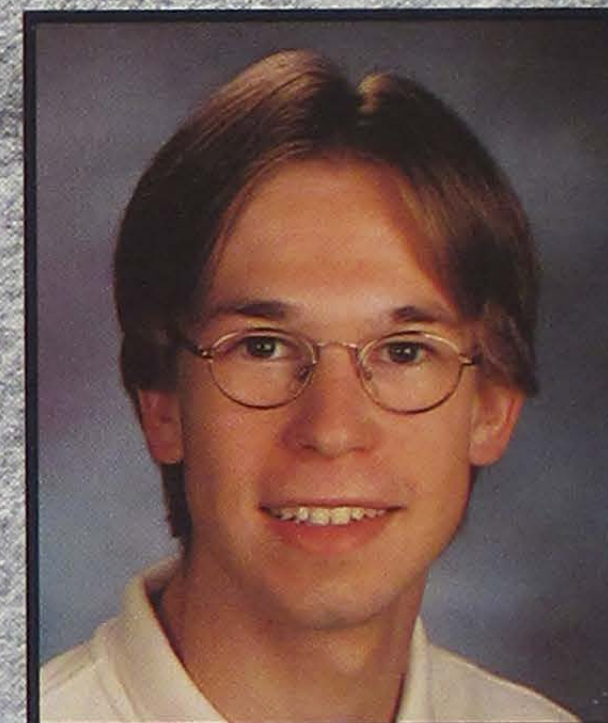
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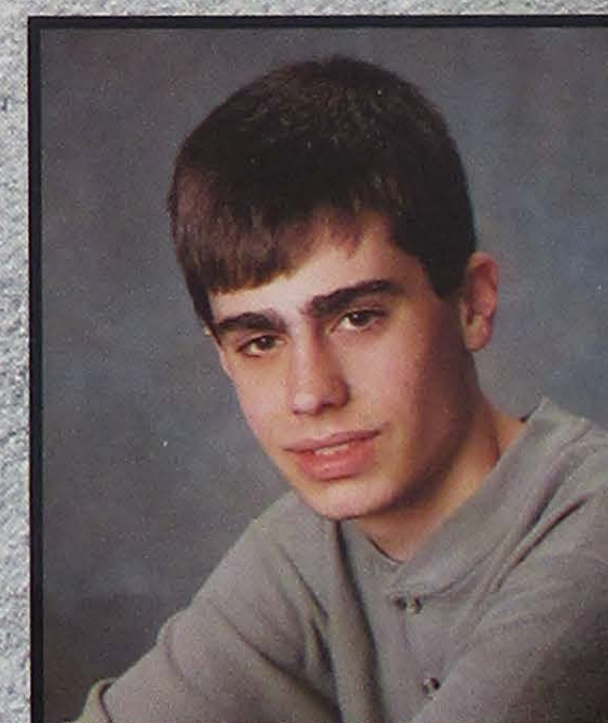
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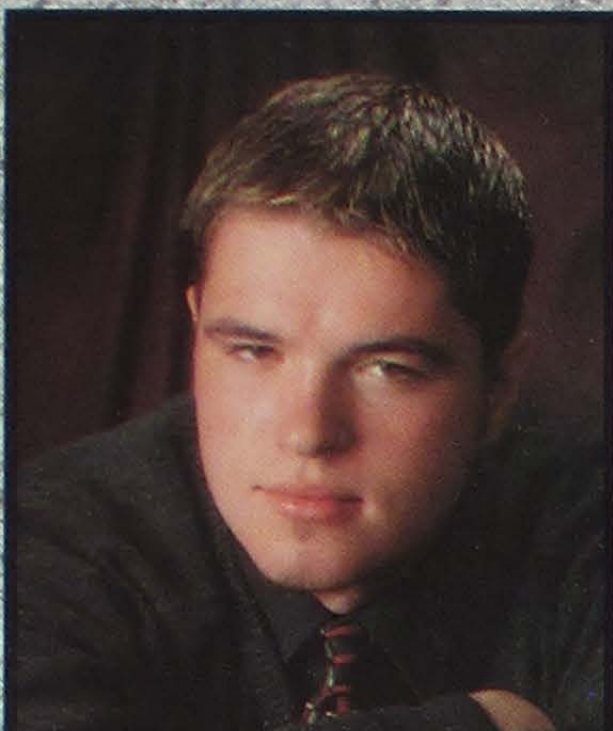
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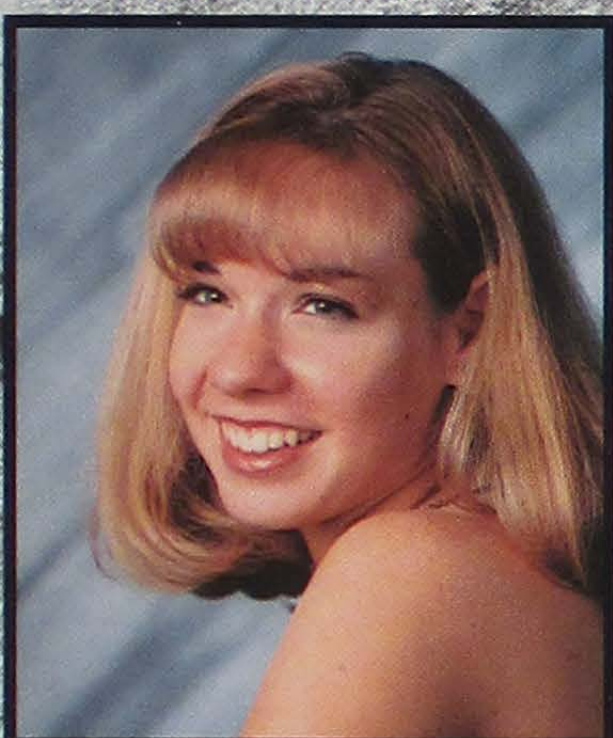
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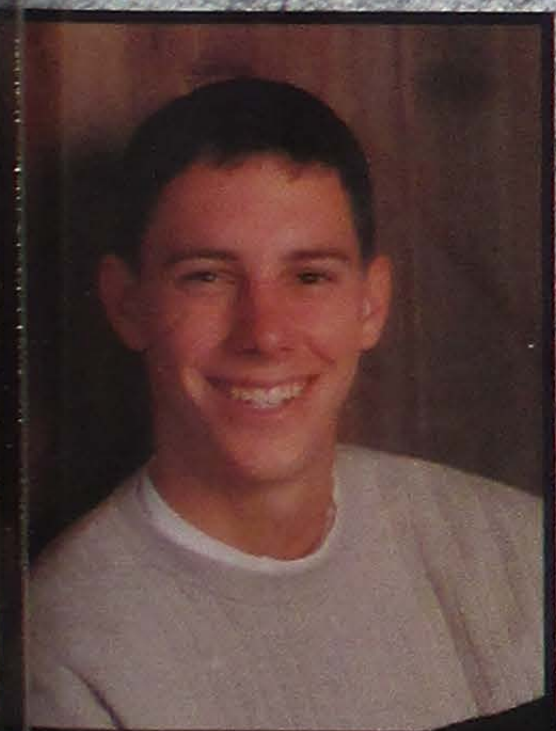
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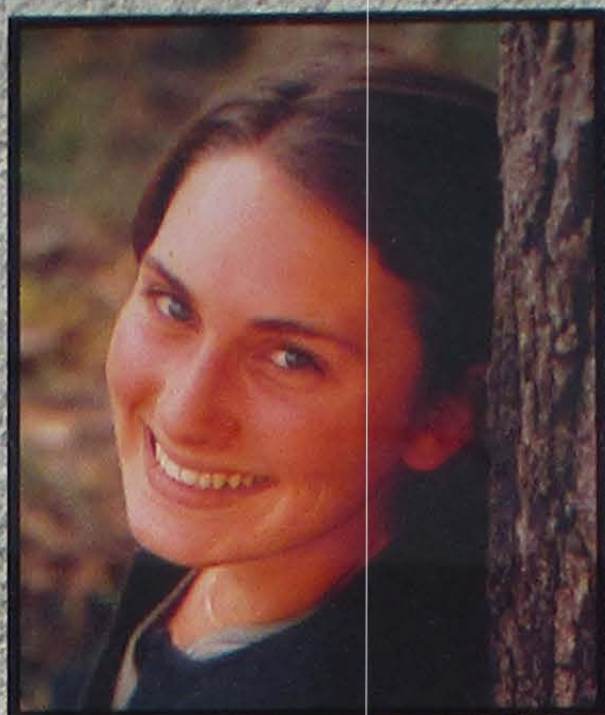
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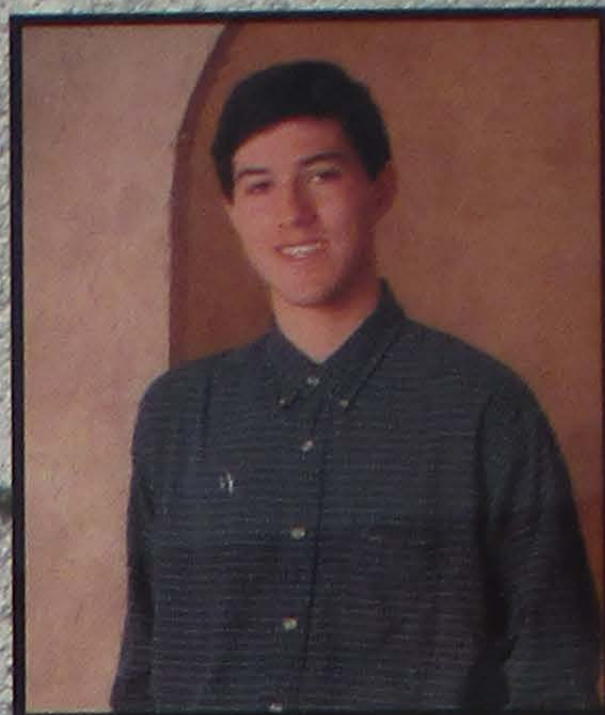
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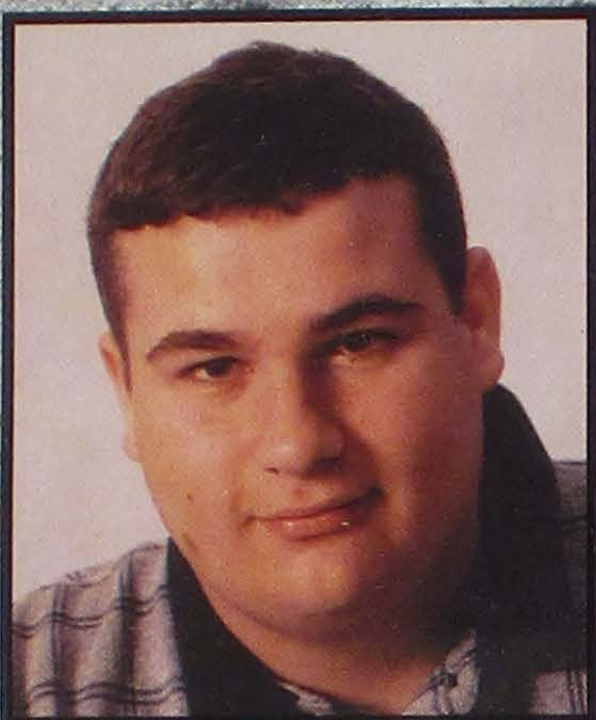
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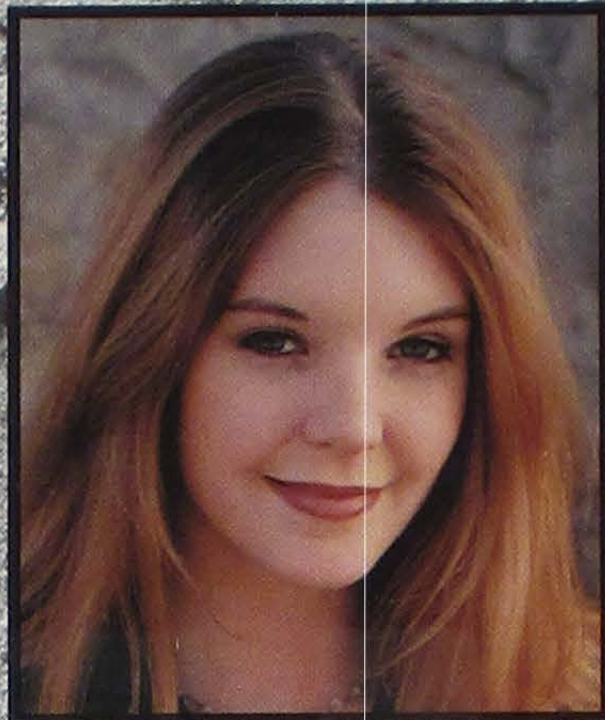
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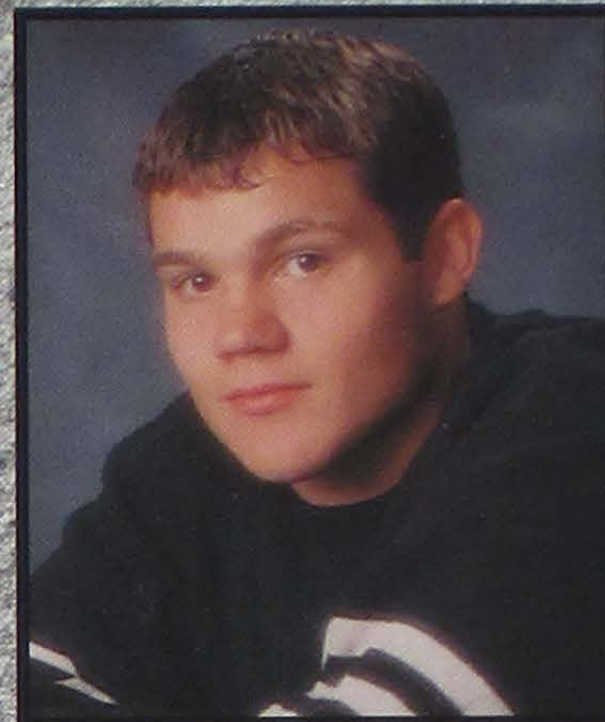
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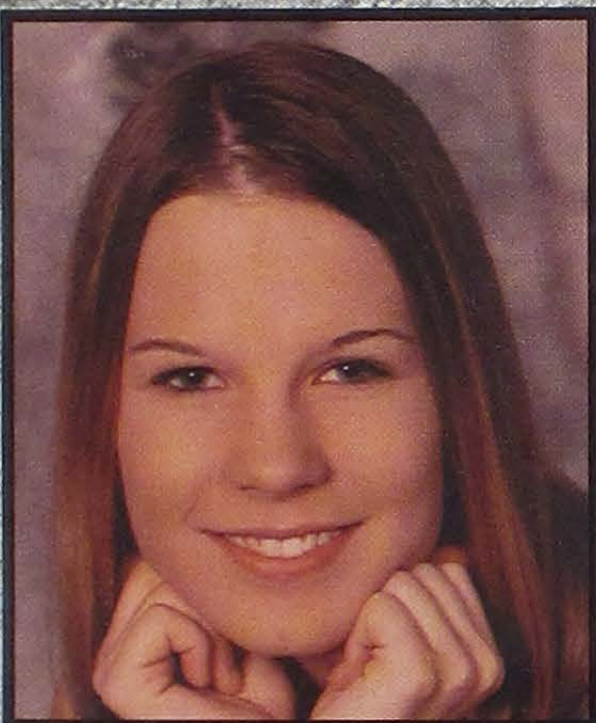
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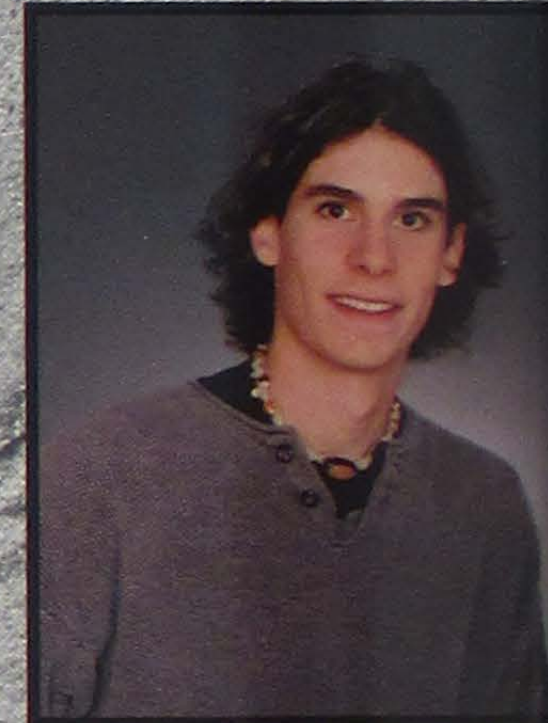
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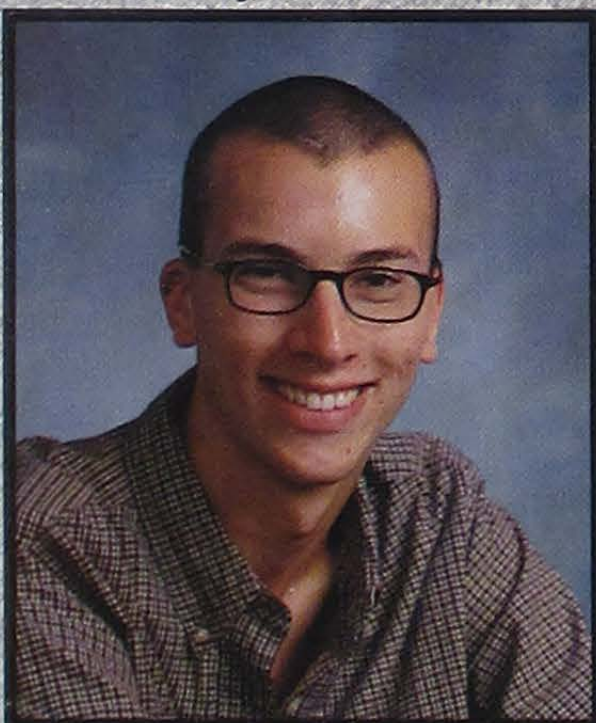
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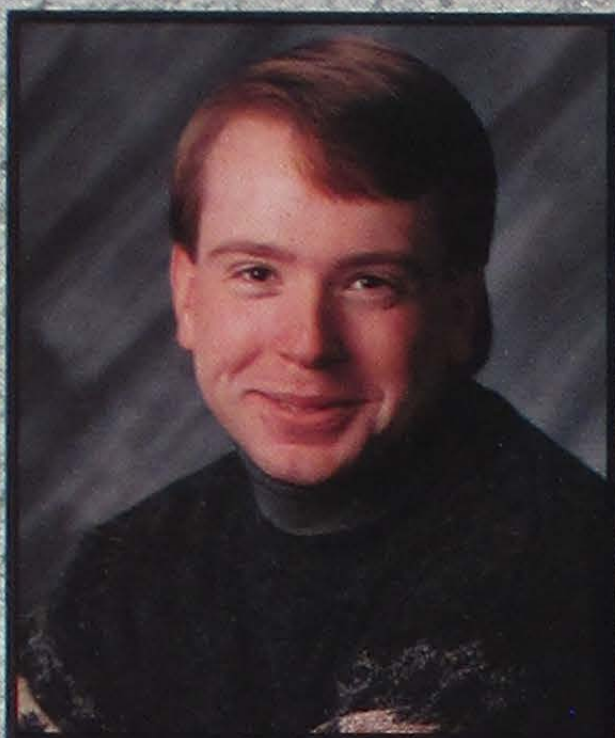
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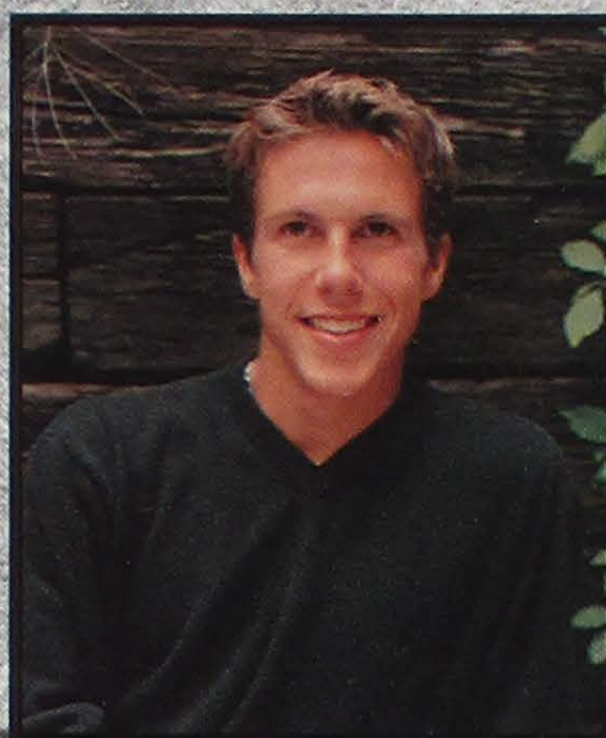
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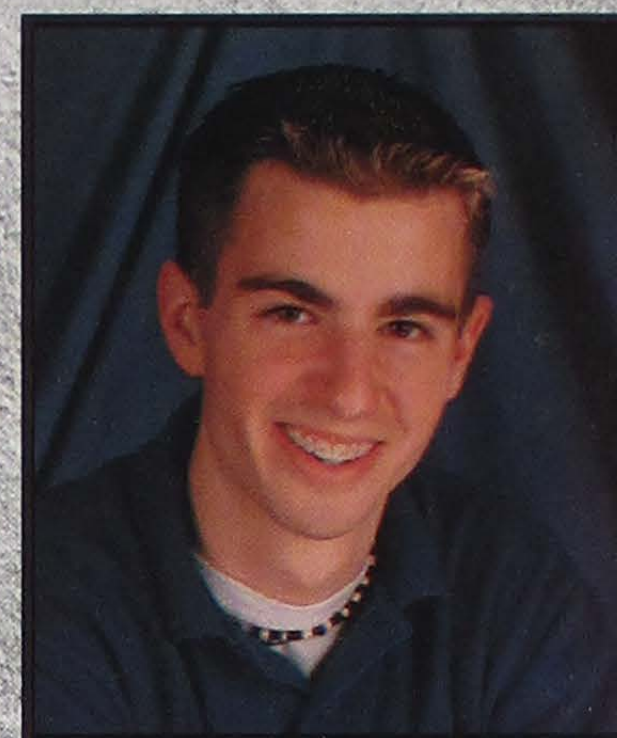
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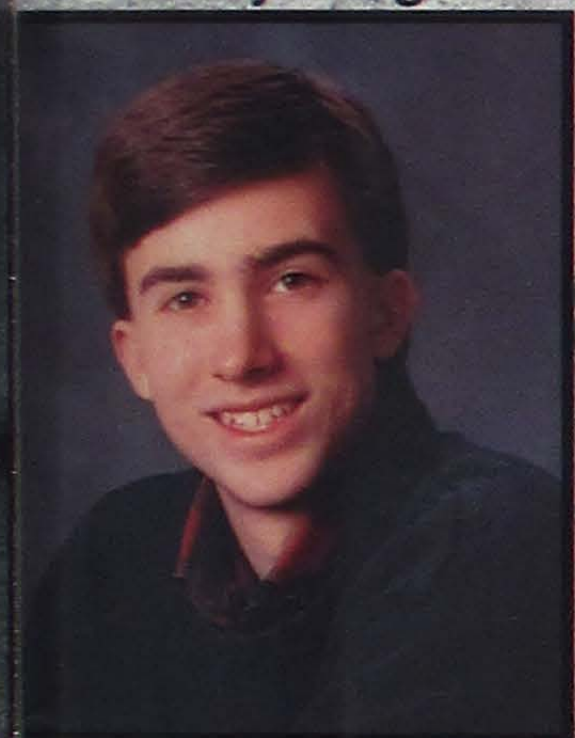
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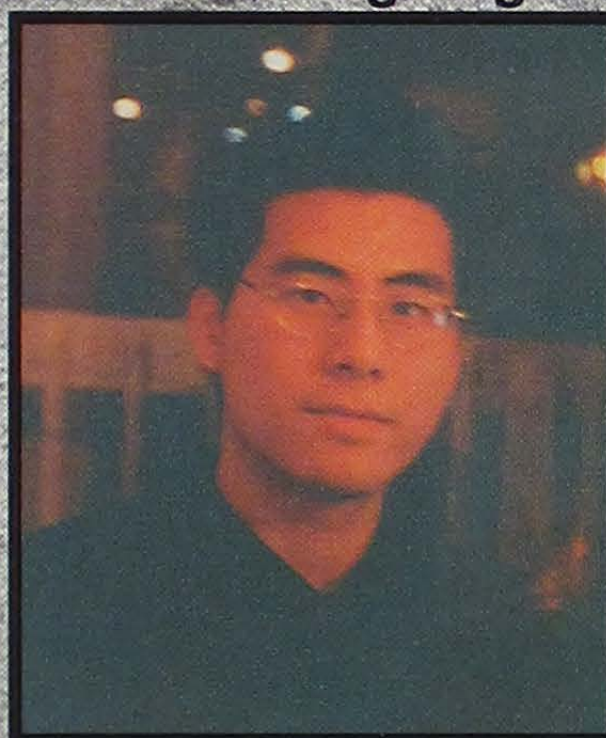
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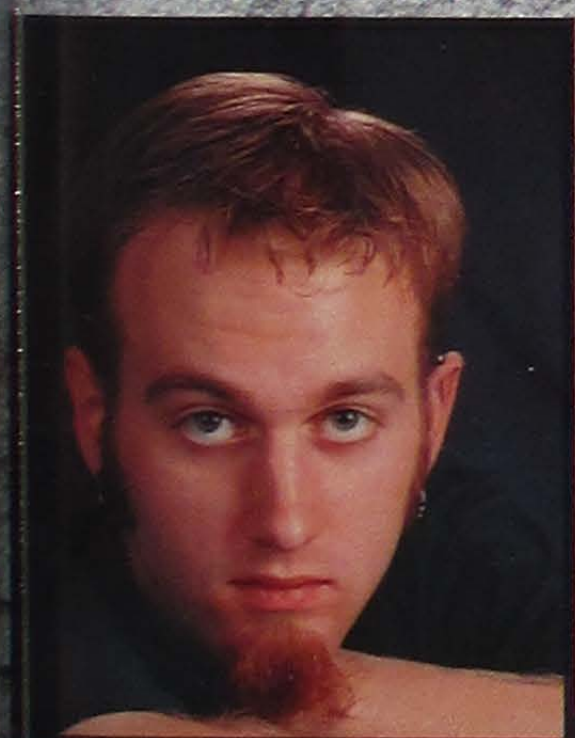
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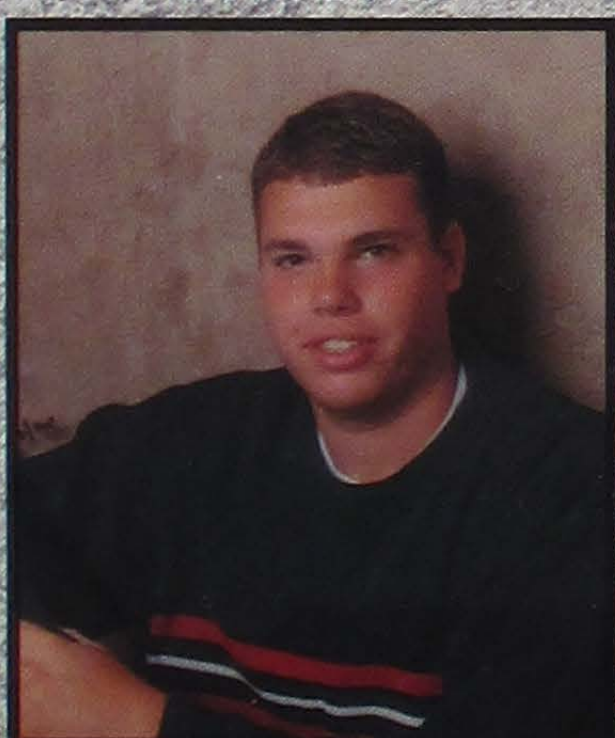
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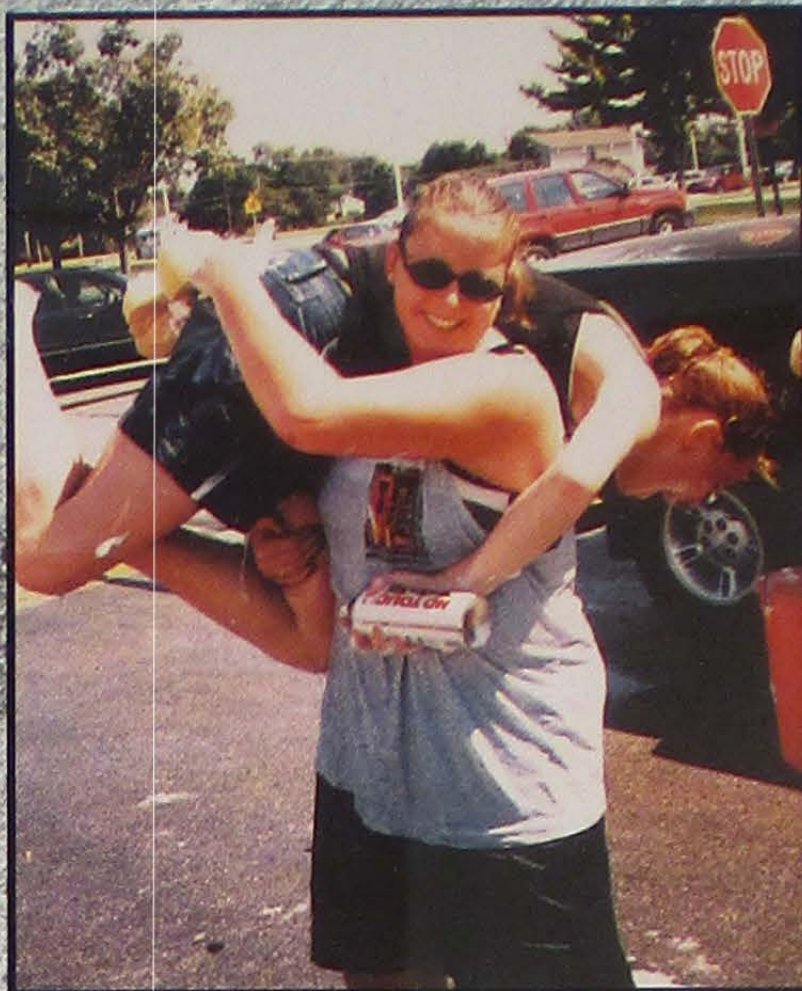
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SENIOR CANDIDS



Brandon Winkey walks around to check out other matches after winning the state title in the 140lb weight class. Senior wrestlers were honored at their meet against Ankeny on February 10. (photo by L. Ledet)

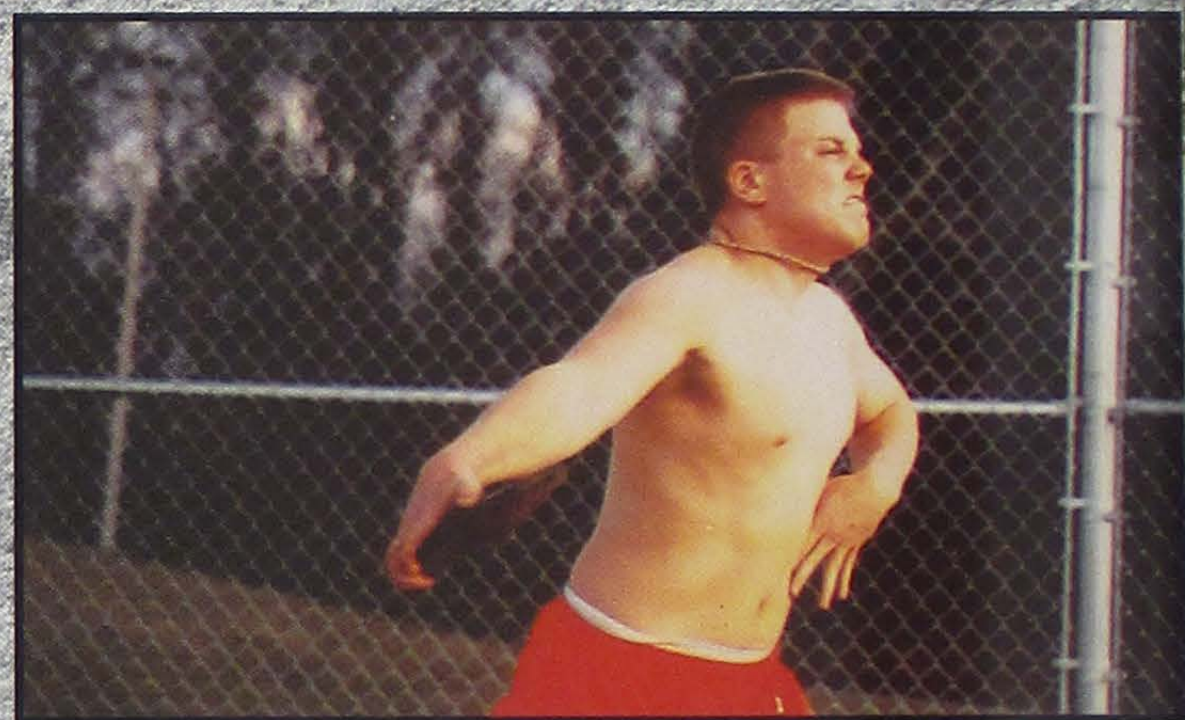
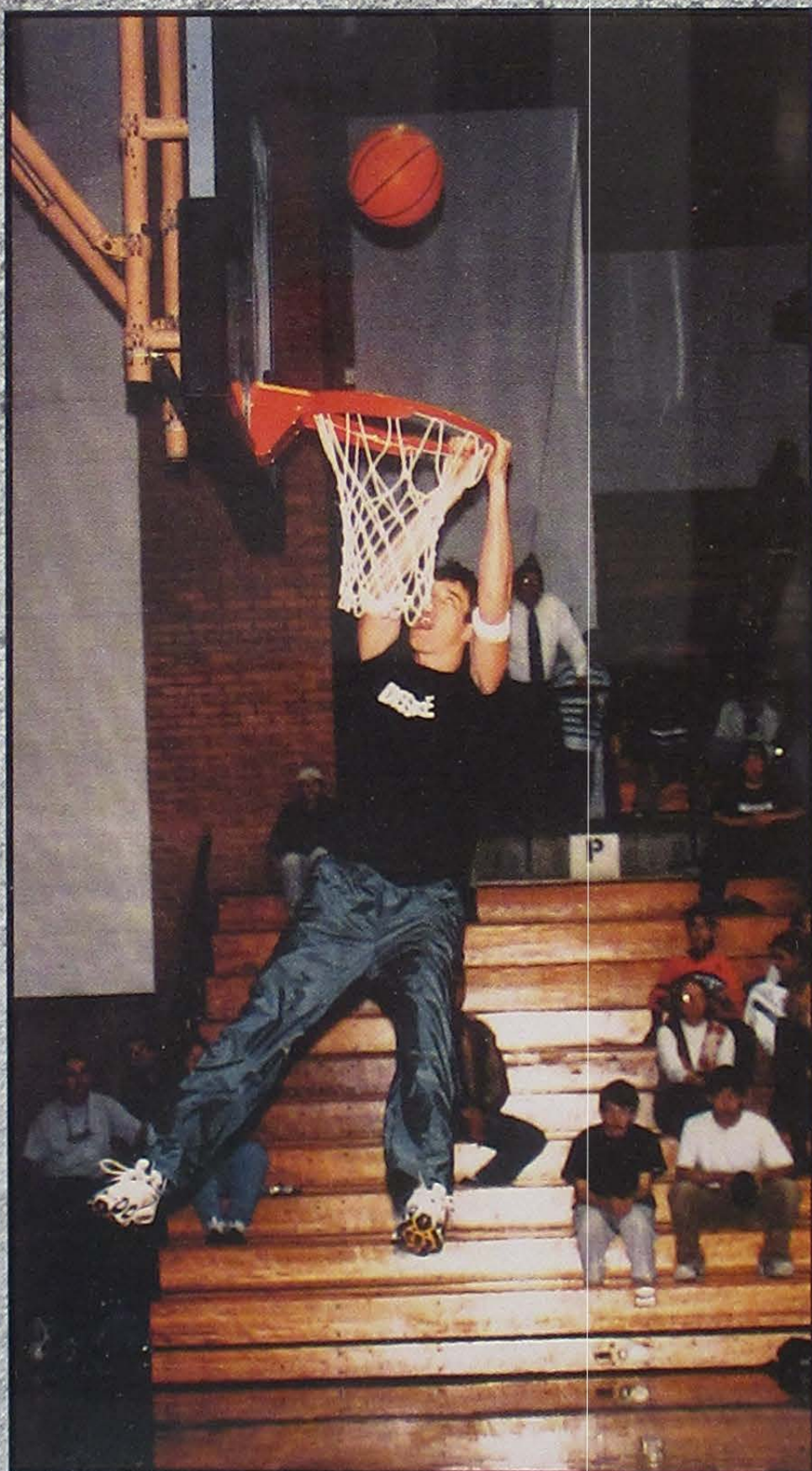


Heather McEachran puts **Megan Flaws** in her place at the Senior Girls' Club car wash. The car wash, held in the Walmart parking lot, helped fund Winter Formal. (photo by Beth Peterson)



Anne Shelley accepts flowers for her performance as the queen in the Madrigal Dinner. After the final performance, parents held a pizza party for the cast. (photo by Sam Dorr)

Heigh t couldn't even secure a slam dunk for 6'5" **Andy Kohler**. Kohler missed his chance at winning the slam dunk contest during the half-time of the I-Ball All-Star Championship Game. Kohler was one of the basketball players who competed in this competition, along with senior **Chris Davis**, juniors **Jim Kain** and **Michael Miller** and sophomores **Tim Stoops** and **Jon Warren**. (photo by Melisse Owen)



Tom Sellers spins in his approach to throw the discus in practice. The warm weather in early March provided a great atmosphere for outdoor practices. (photo by M. Freiberg)

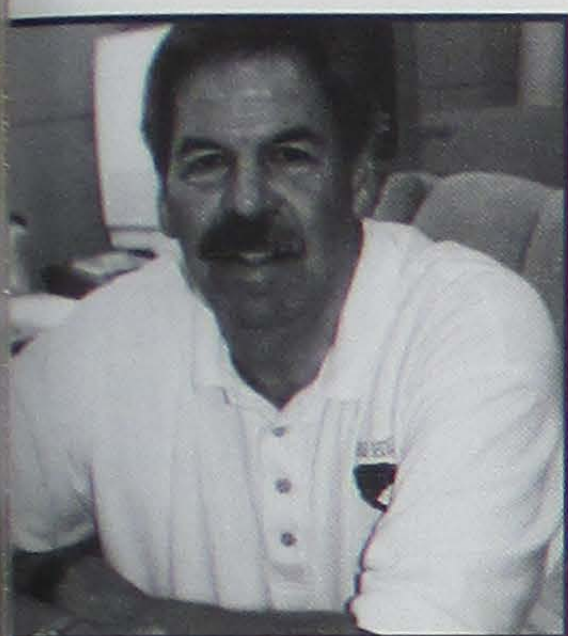


Dan Burrow and **Lindsay Kiliper** have "stars in their eyes" the night of the annual Homecoming dance. (photo by E. Kindred)

FACULTY AND STAFF

Through each semester, each unit taught, each masterpiece read, each problem solved, we also learned. With each new class, a new adventure began...some were long and challenging, while others seemed to pass quickly through the sands of time. But with each, a new experience we would always remember ensued and we grew, just as we hope our students would.

by Tonja Brooks



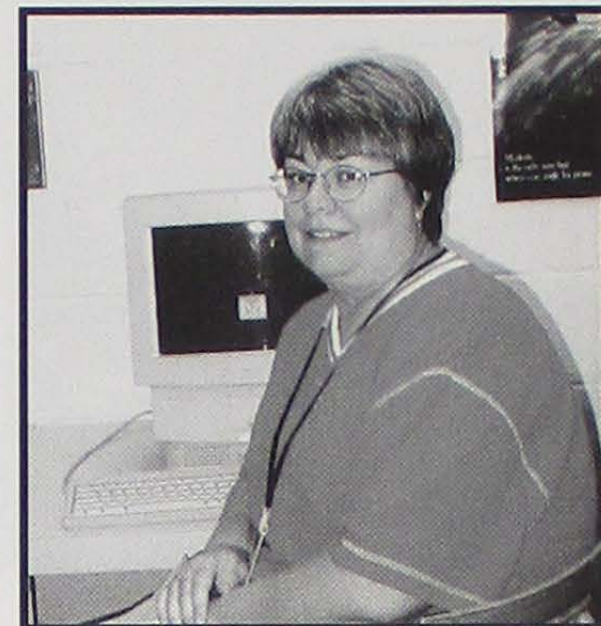
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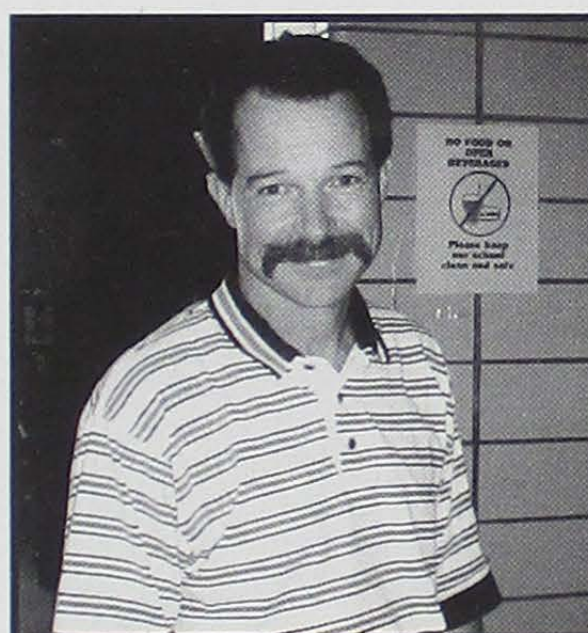
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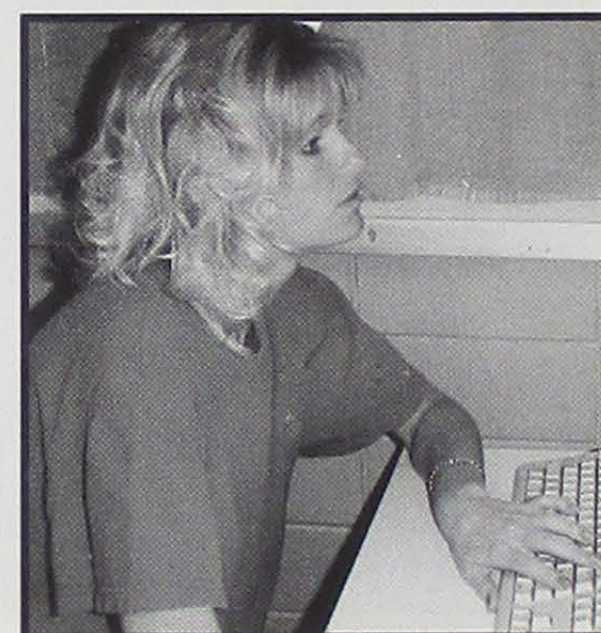
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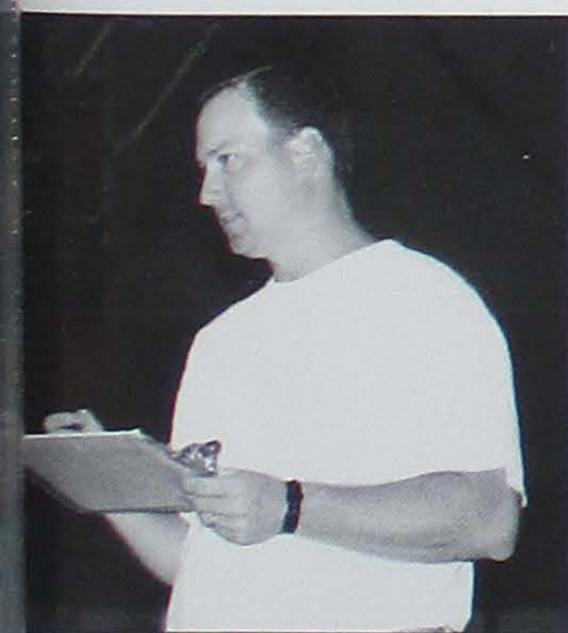
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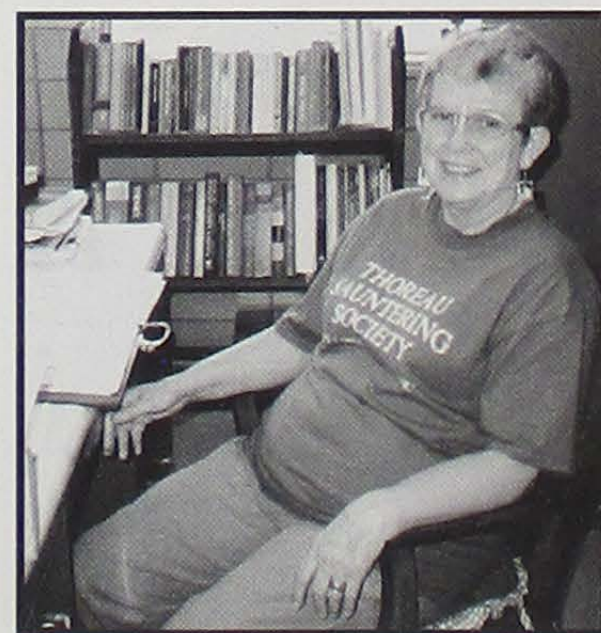
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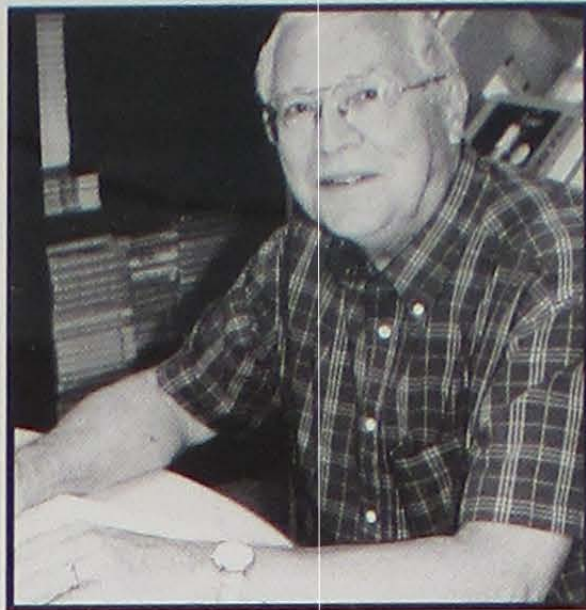
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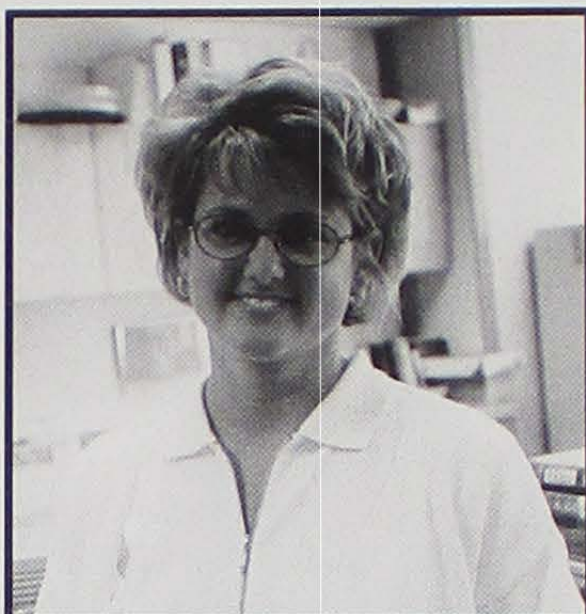
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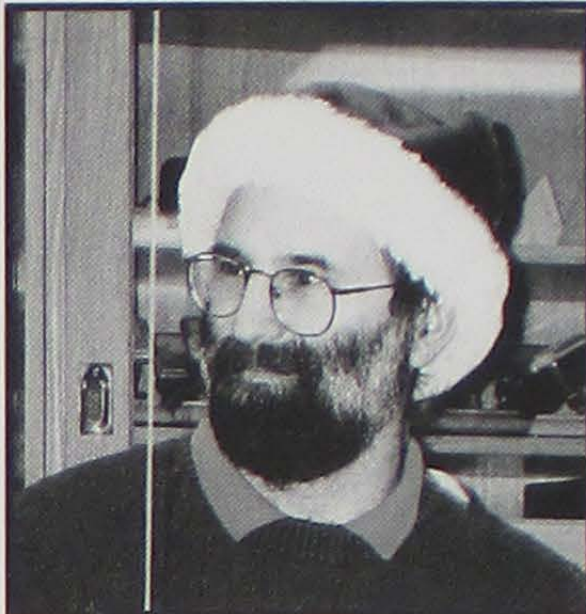
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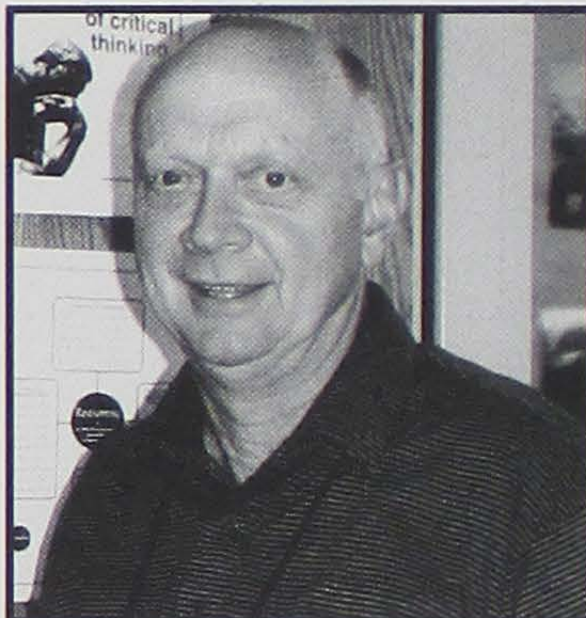
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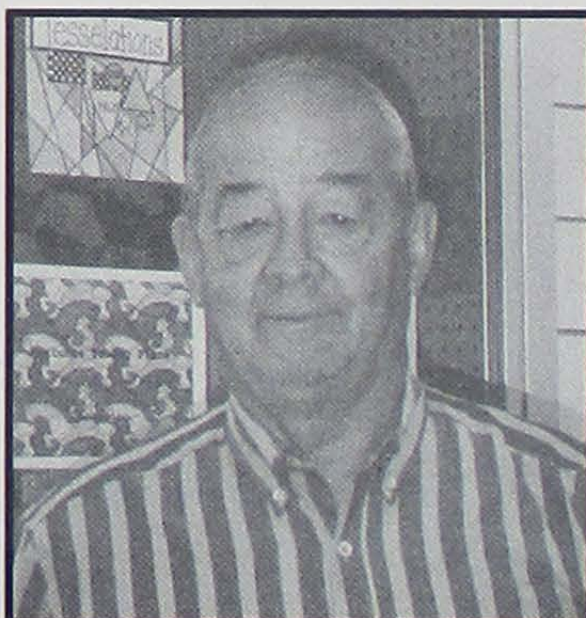
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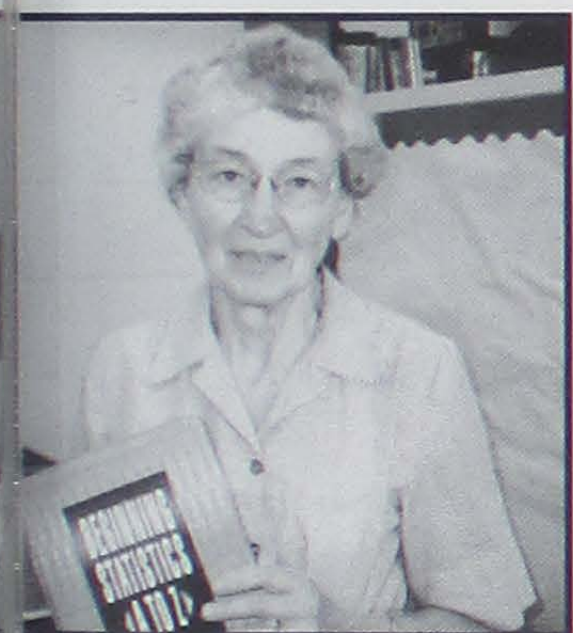
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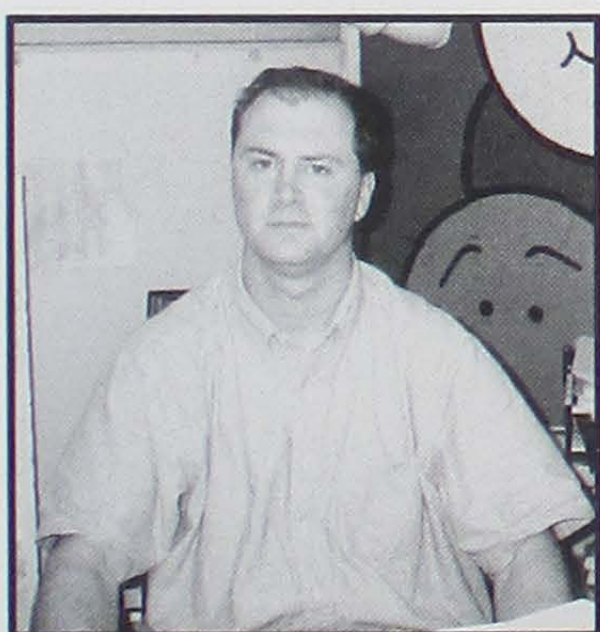
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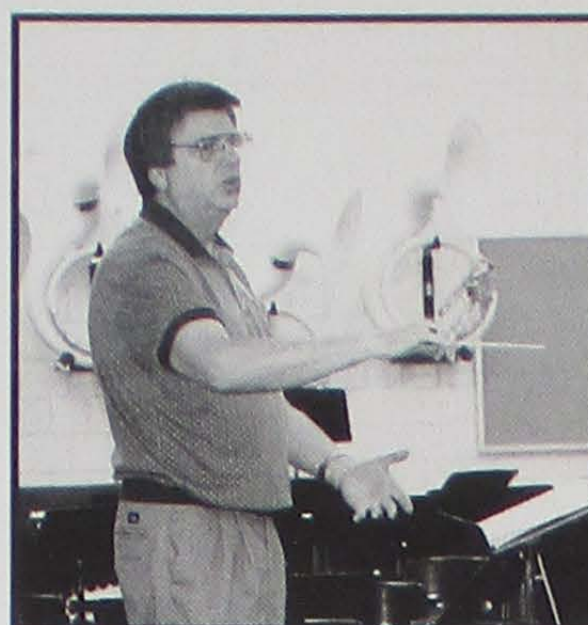
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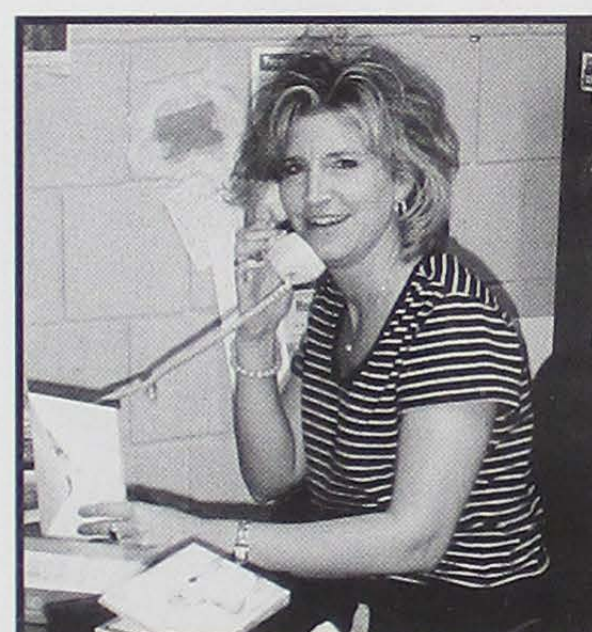
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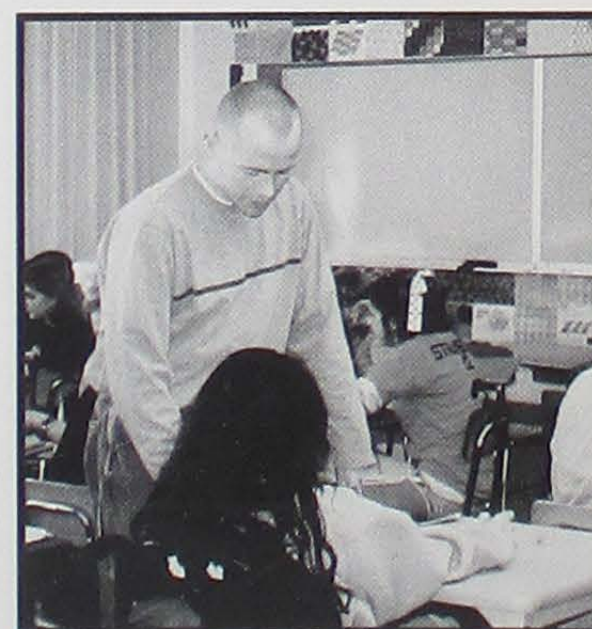
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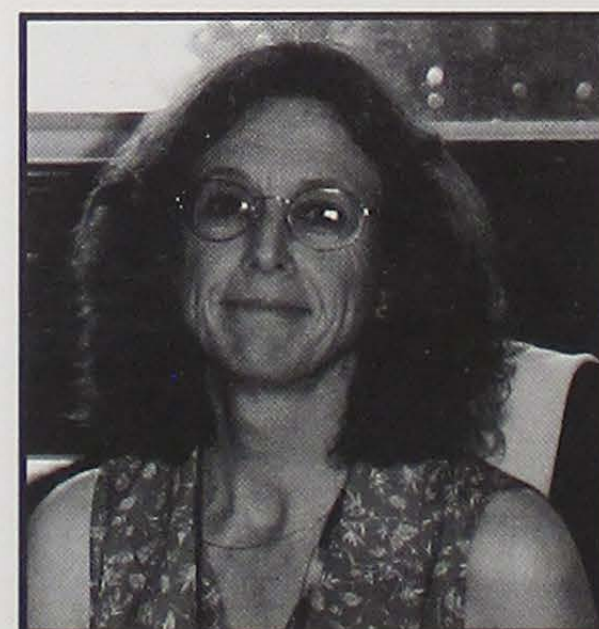
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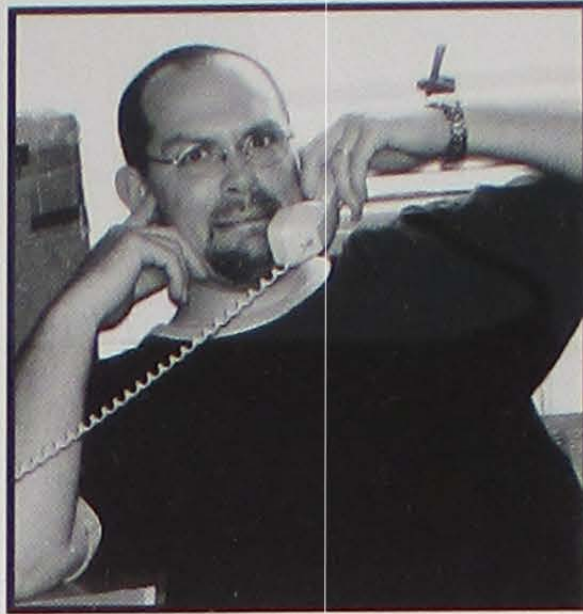
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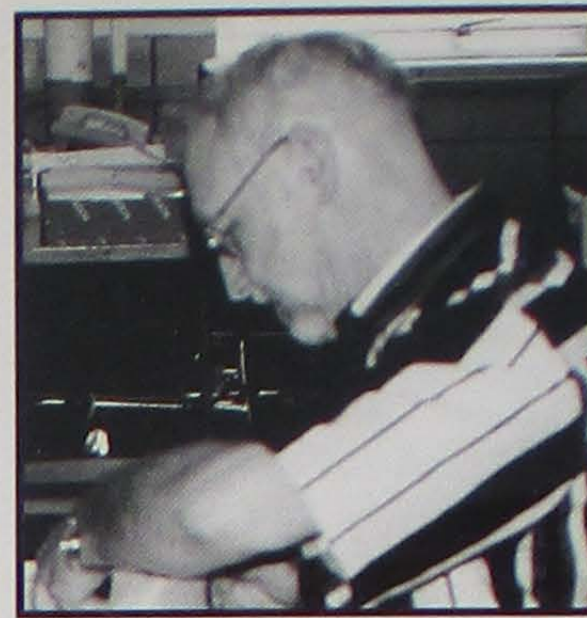
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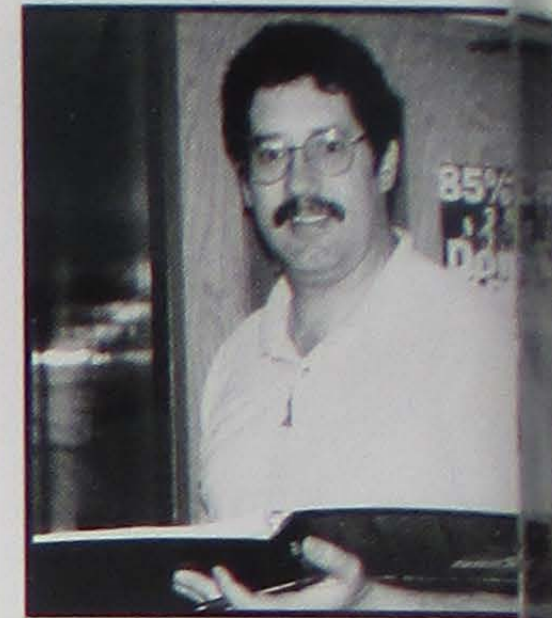
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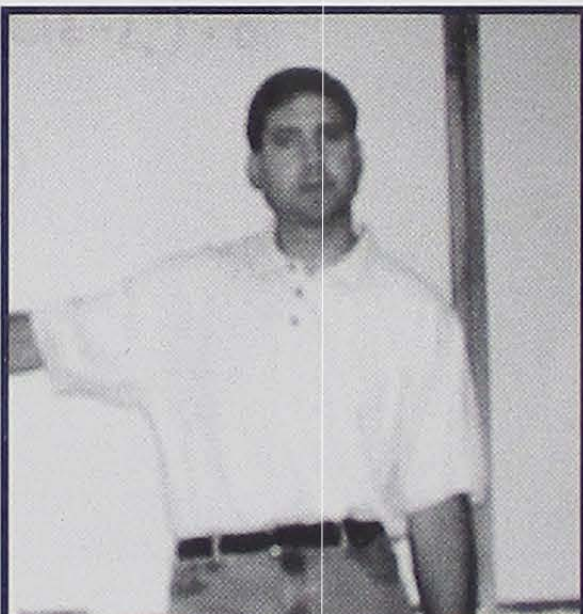
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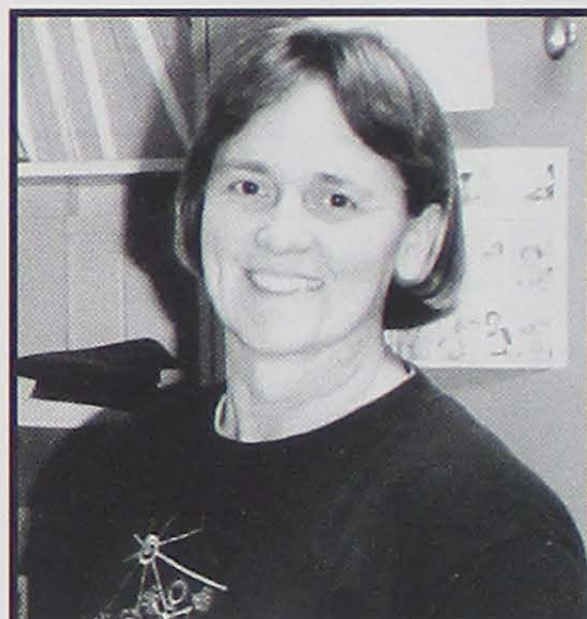
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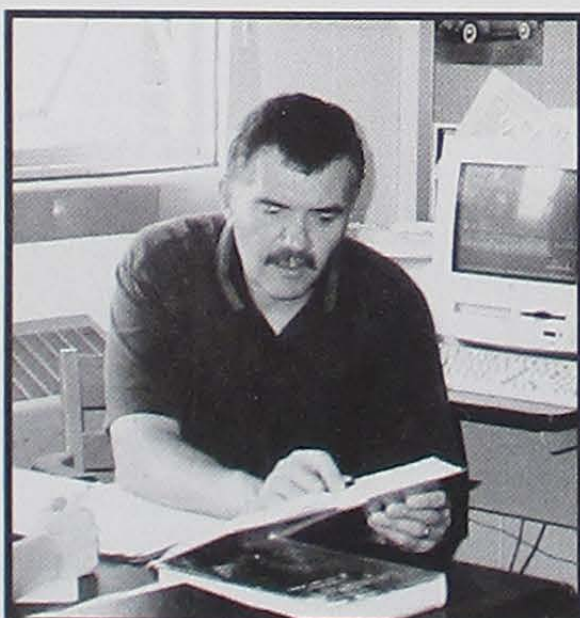
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Dance, Physical Education



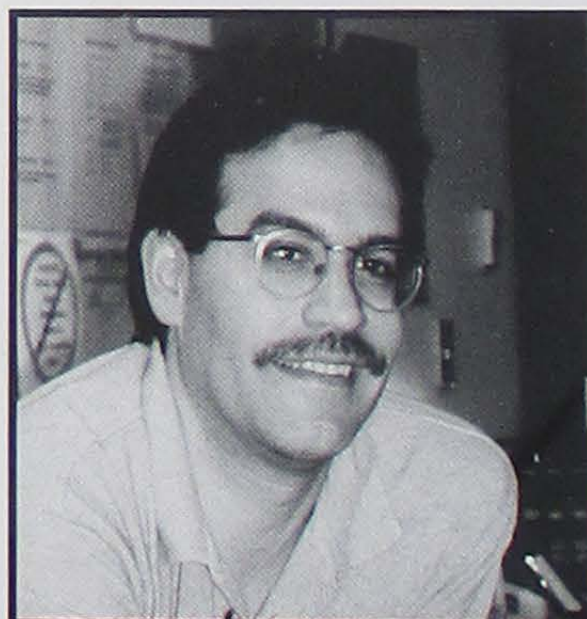
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Leonard Larsen
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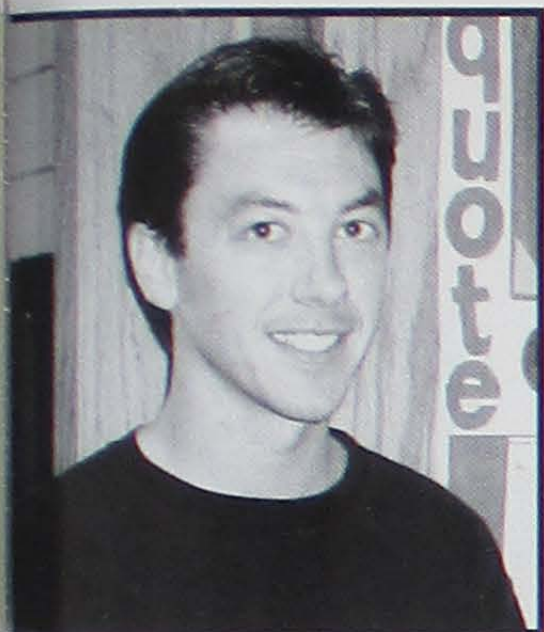
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Physics



Ann Lee
Level 1a



Bud Legg
AD/Associate Principal



Warren Lofgren
Math



Janet Mickelson
Level 2



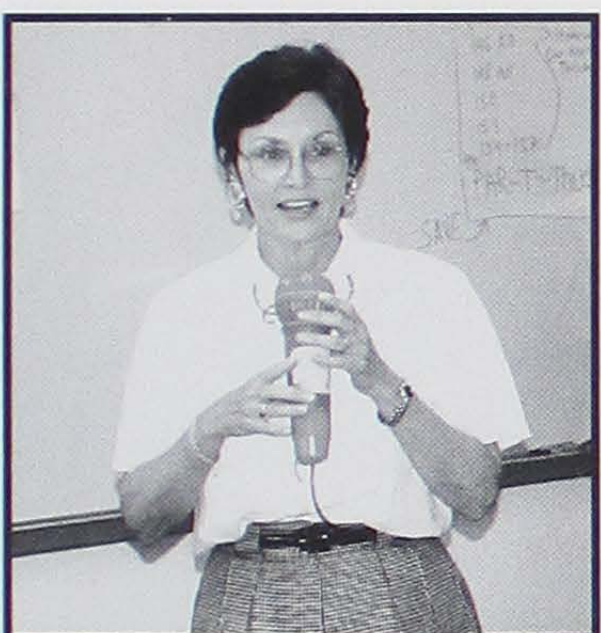
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Counselor



Linda Lieberman
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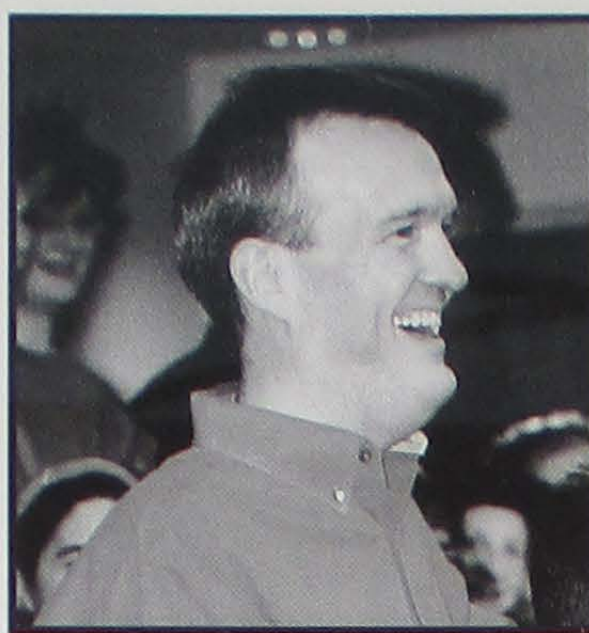
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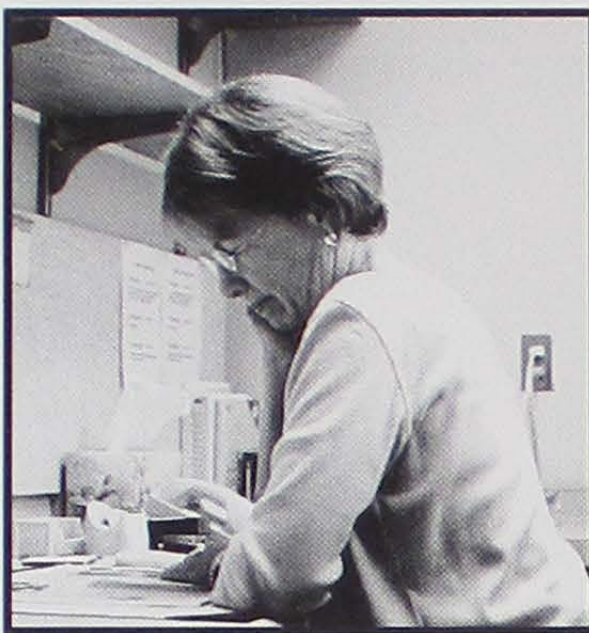
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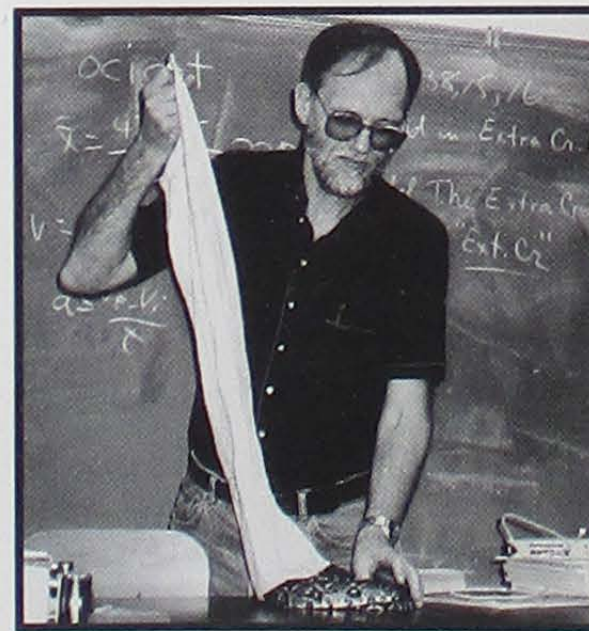
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Leslie Maze
Counselor



Jean Miller
English/Math



Mike Petersen
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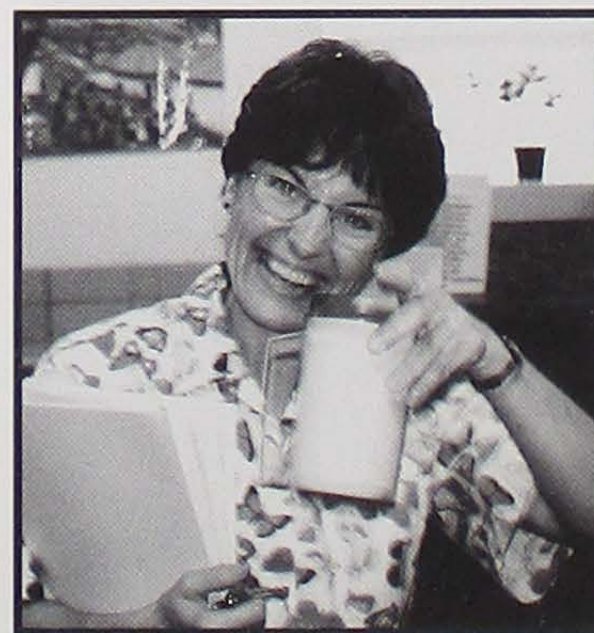
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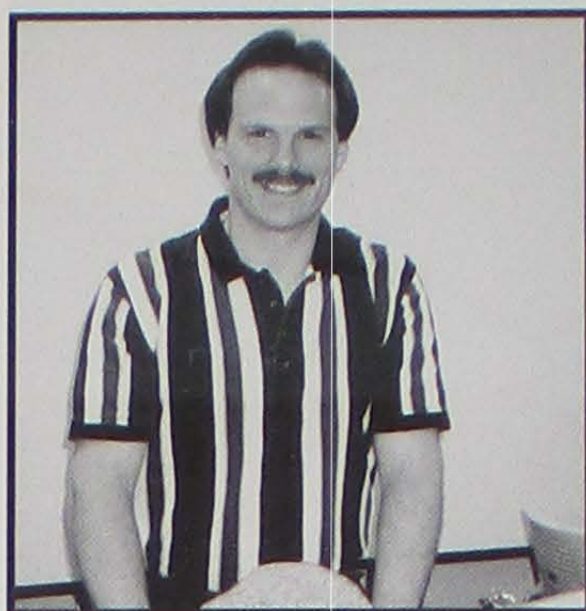
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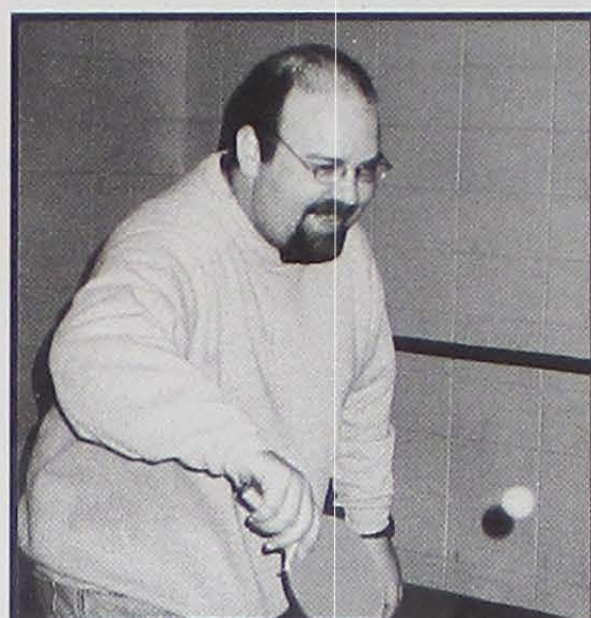
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Orchestra



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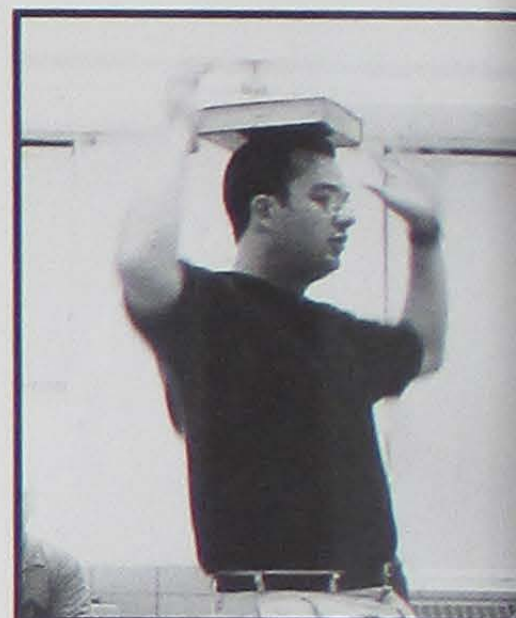
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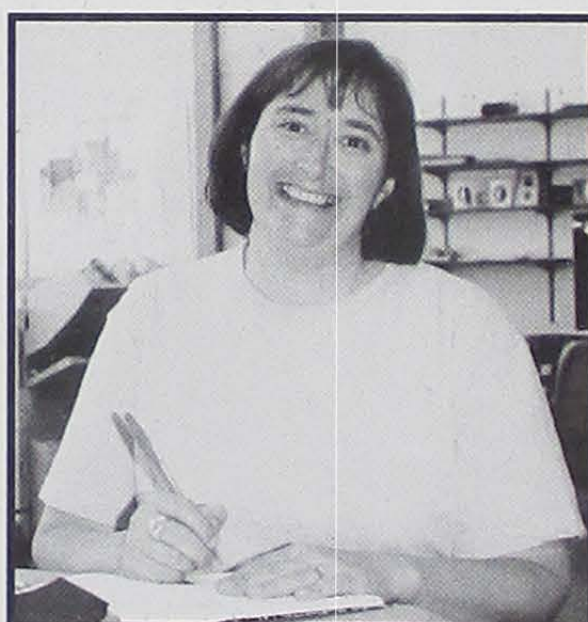
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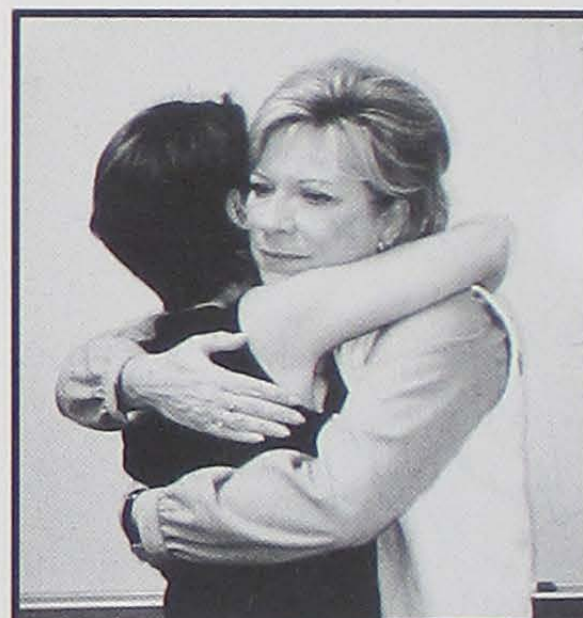
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Kirk Schmaltz
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Rhonda Schmaltz
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Karen Stewart
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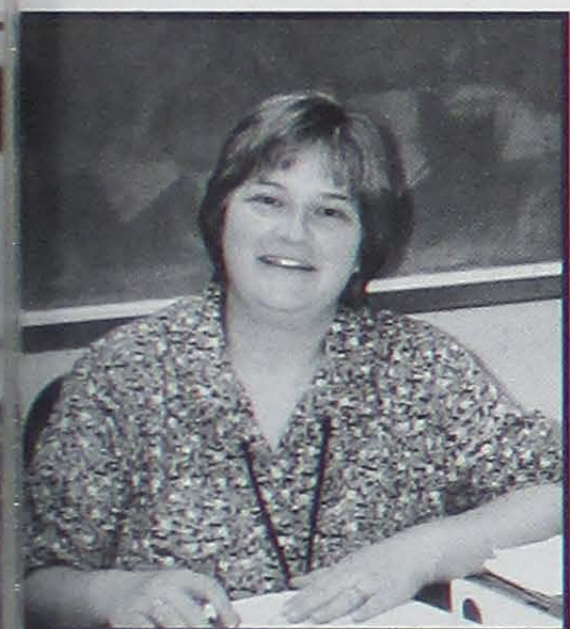
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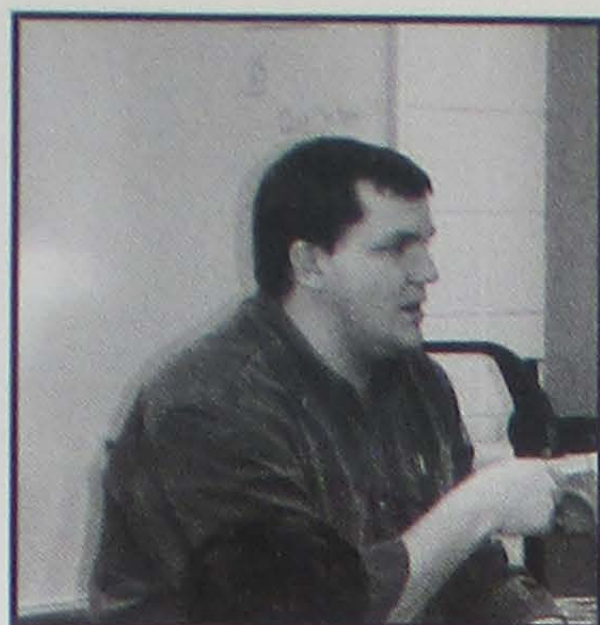
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DeAnna Tibben
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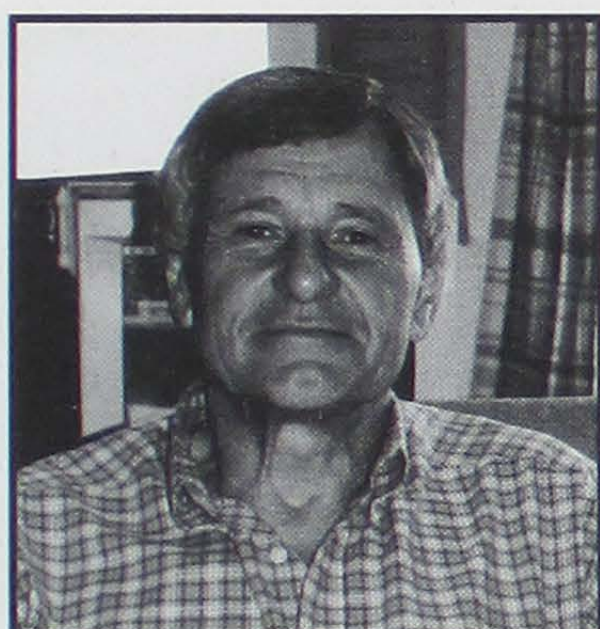
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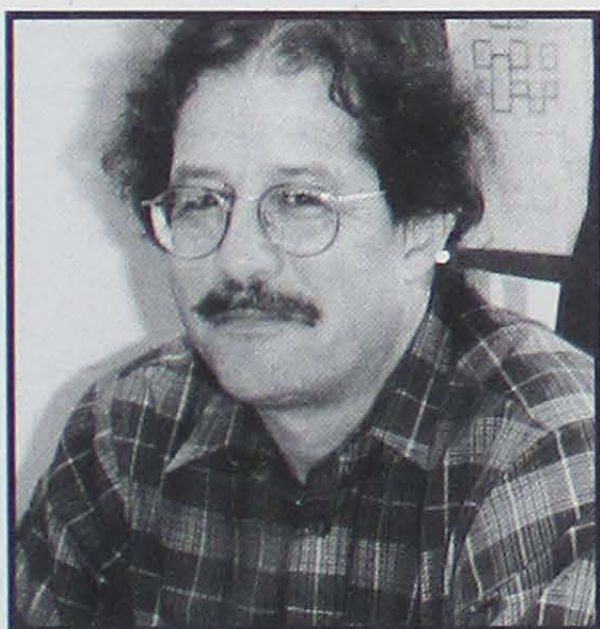
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FCS, Computer



Dale Tramp
Counselor/Dean of Students



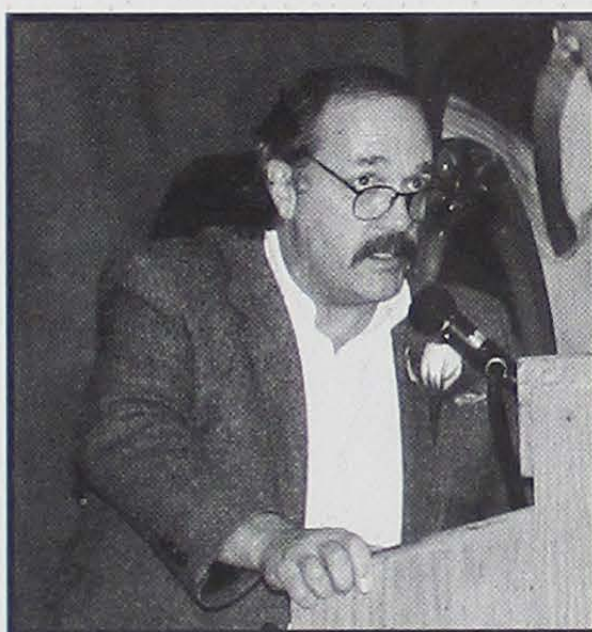
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Kirstin Sullivan
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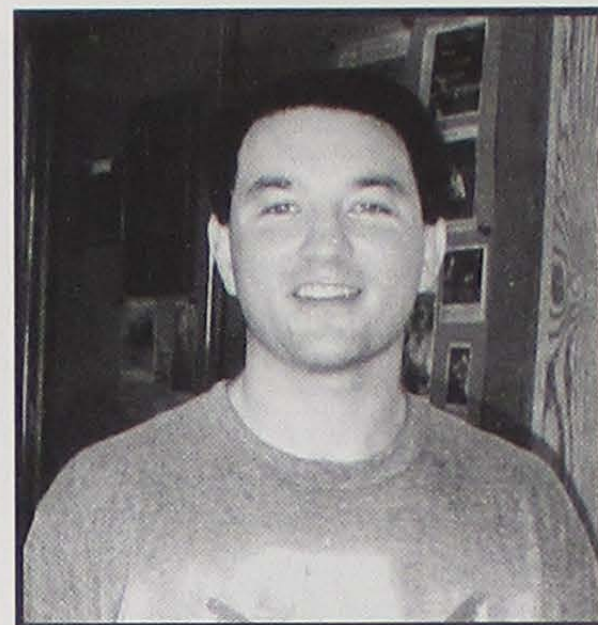
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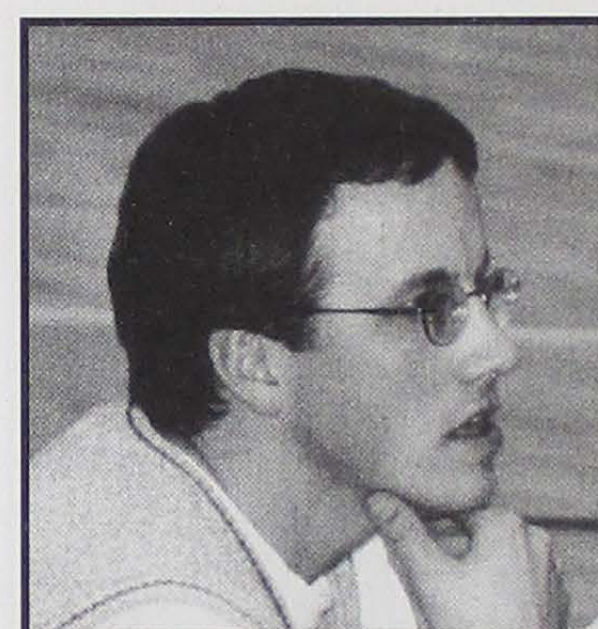
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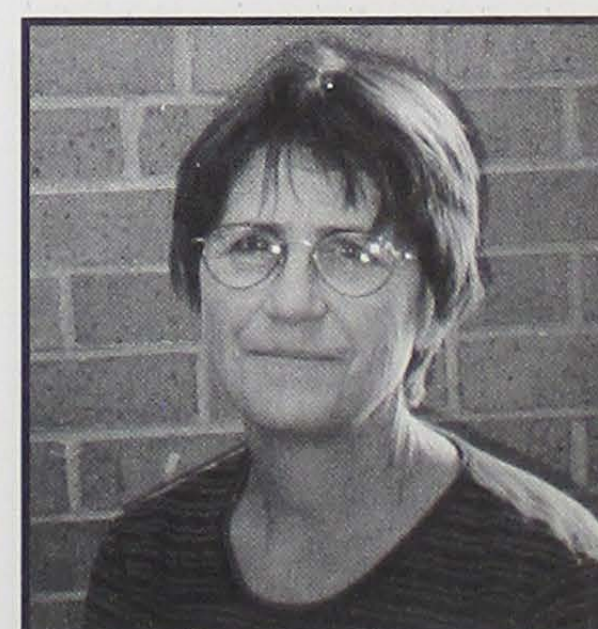
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Bruce Vertanen
Level 3



Mary Wauson
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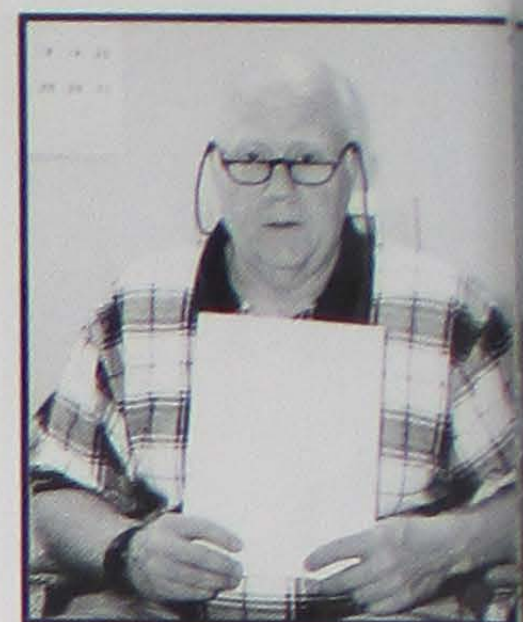
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Rich White
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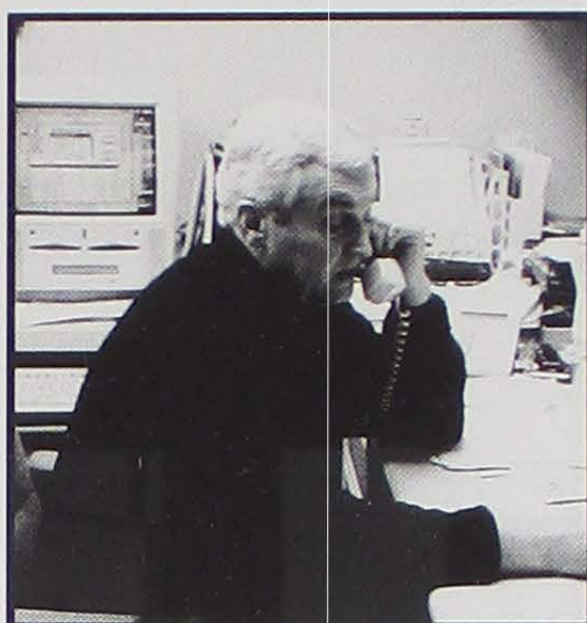
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Mike Wittmer
Counselor



Toni Woodman
French



Larry Zwagerman
Counselor

SUPPORT STAFF



Cris Berger
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Parking Lot Supervisor



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Custodian



Mary Buck
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Judy Burris
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Jan Dreesman
MC Educational Assistant



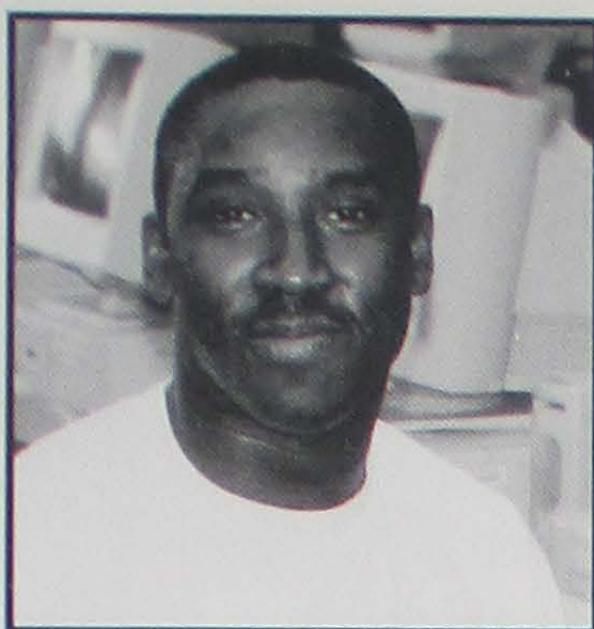
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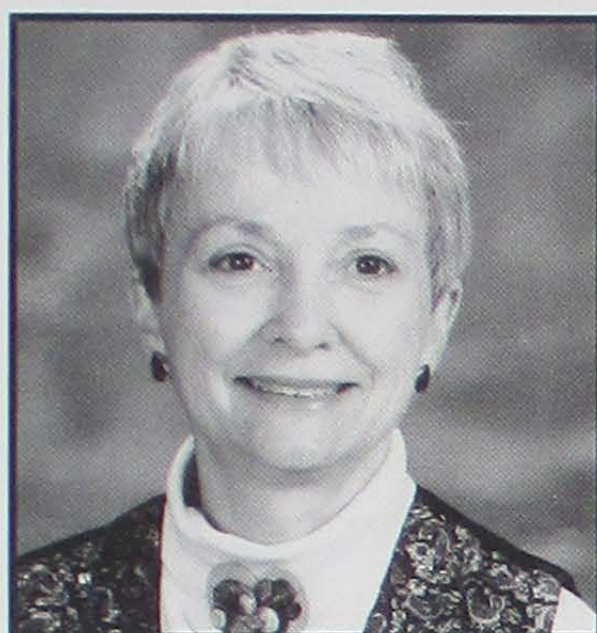
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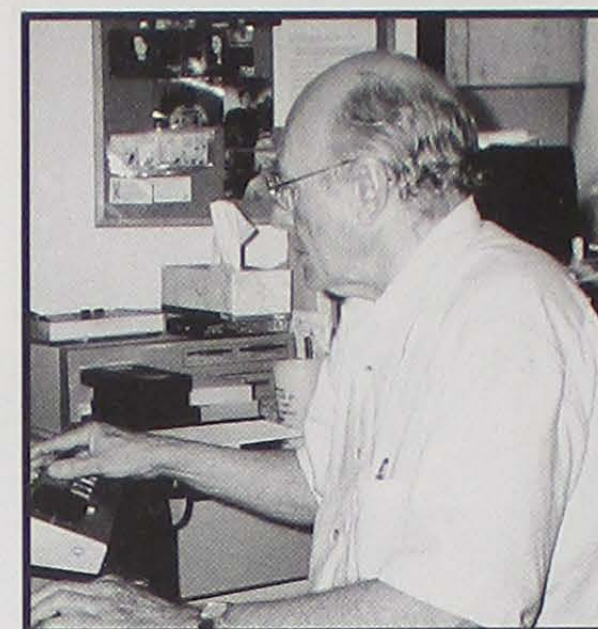
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Jane Jorgensen
Educational Assistant



Ylene Longwell
MC Educational Assistant



Stan Maas
Special Service Channel 7



Bridget McCarley
Attendance Secretary



Becky McKibben
Nurse



Laurie Myers
Hall Monitor



Sue Nutter
Interpreter



Janet Olson
Secretary Student Services



Mary Padilla
ALP



Helen Park
MC Educational Assistant



Barb Peterson
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Bless Phone
Custodian



Kirsti Place
Computer Lab



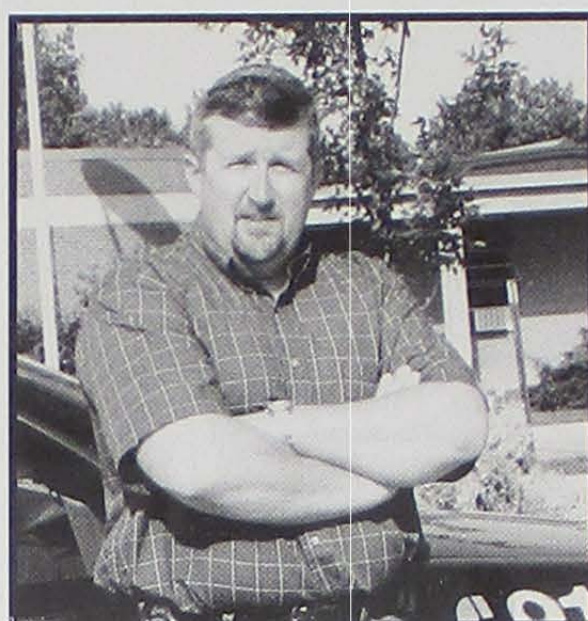
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Bob Selby
School Resource Officer



Vince Simon
Head Custodian



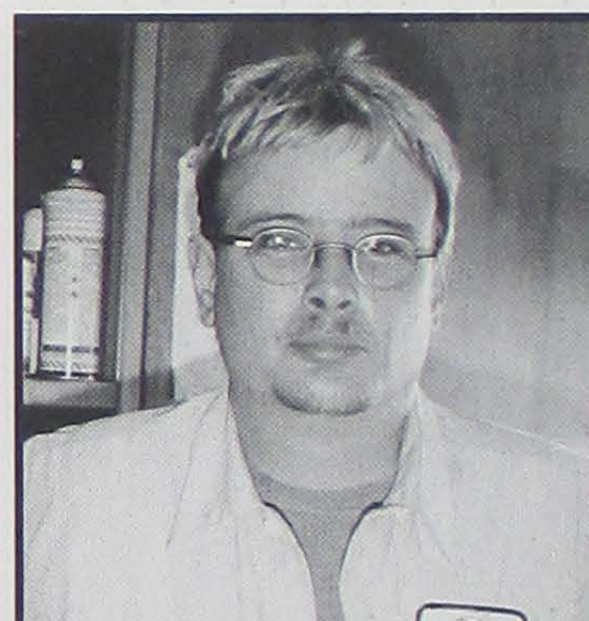
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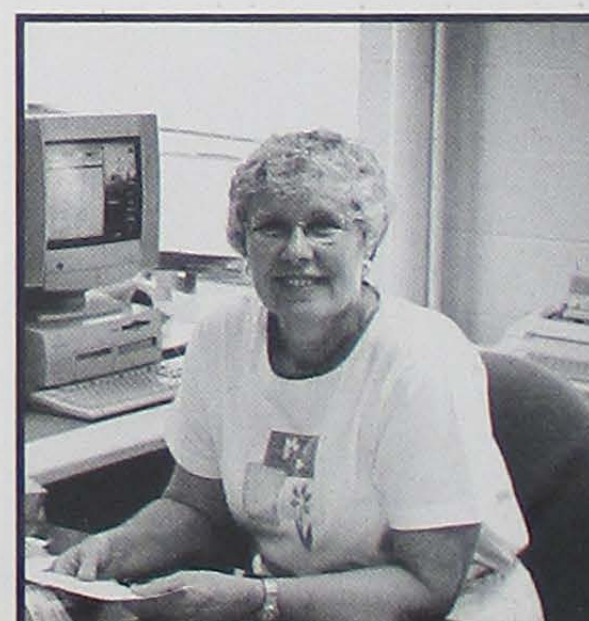
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Kathy Swanson
Receptionist



Marilyn Thompson
Educational Assistant



Georgia Vondra
Office Manager



Ryk Weiss
Computer Technician



Nikki Wittmer
Registrar



That's right, **Mr. Lofgren!!!** That's the score! The teachers got beat by the

intramural I-ball All Stars once again this year. (photo by Melisse Owen)



Mrs. Horner charges up the seniors at the first pep assembly of the year!! "I feel good, oooh, I feel so good!!" (photo by Tonja Brooks)



"breakfast lady" **Paula Miller** takes a break from the busy line of students to sit with custodian **Doug Elliot**. Many students took advantage of the break-

fast line which served everything from donughts to flavored water to those awesome cinnamon rolls smothered in frosting! (photo by Jen Oftedal)



Staff serve themselves to a great lunch at the staff luncheon. The midday meal allowed educators to spend a last few memorable moments together before they

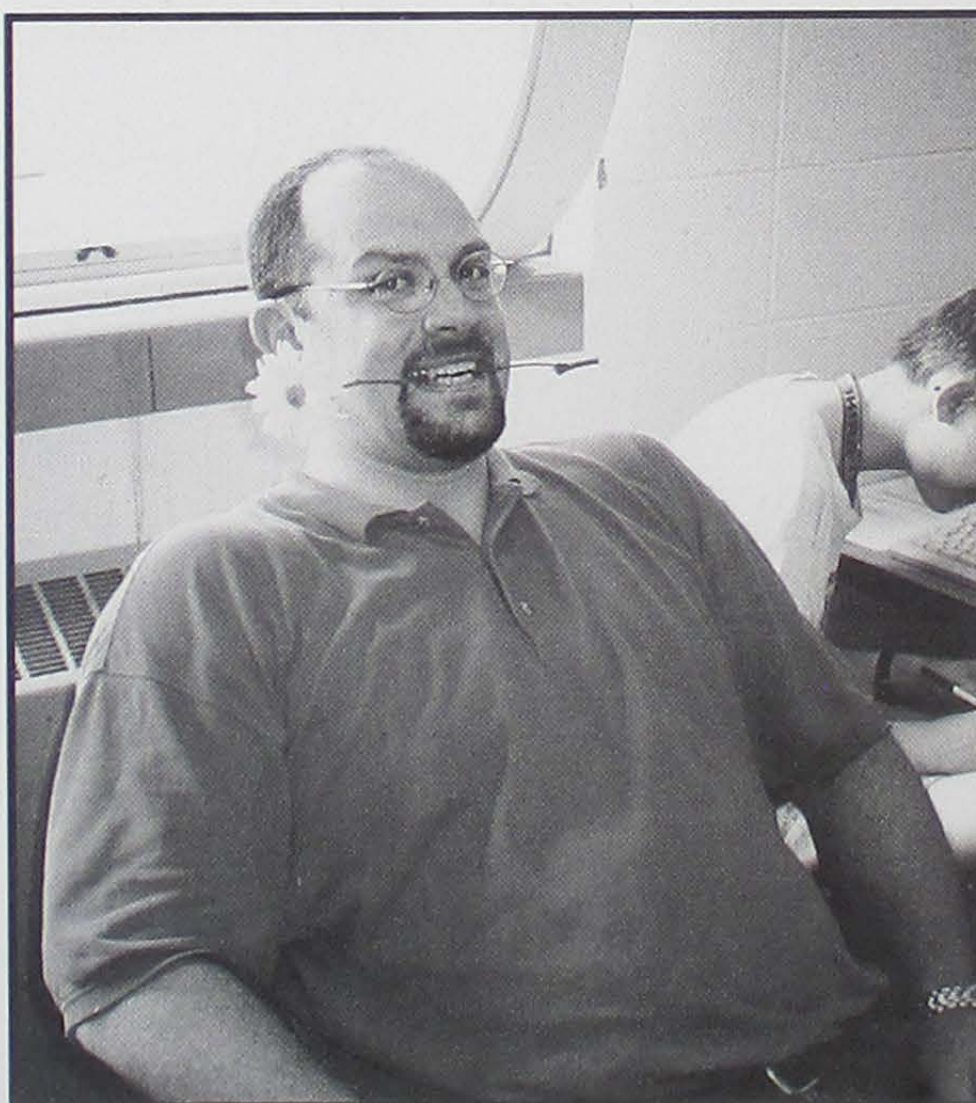
dissipated for another summer vacation. There was much to talk about including final things to do and vacation plans. (photo by Rita Carter)



Teachers **Nancy Svien**, **Ken Hartman** and **Kim Brunett** chat over the staff luncheon the Friday after school. The teachers and staff took advantage of the lunch and the break from calculating all grades and cleaning their rooms. (photo by Rita Carter)

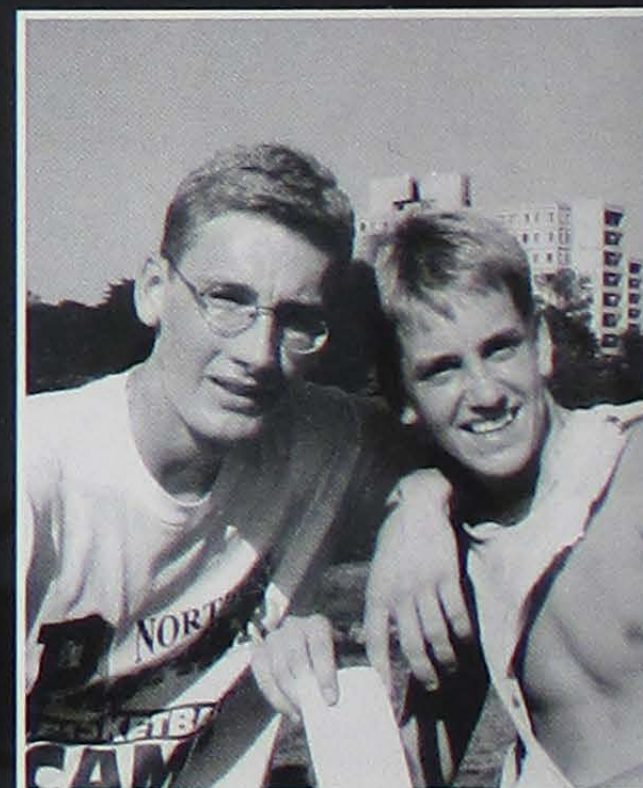
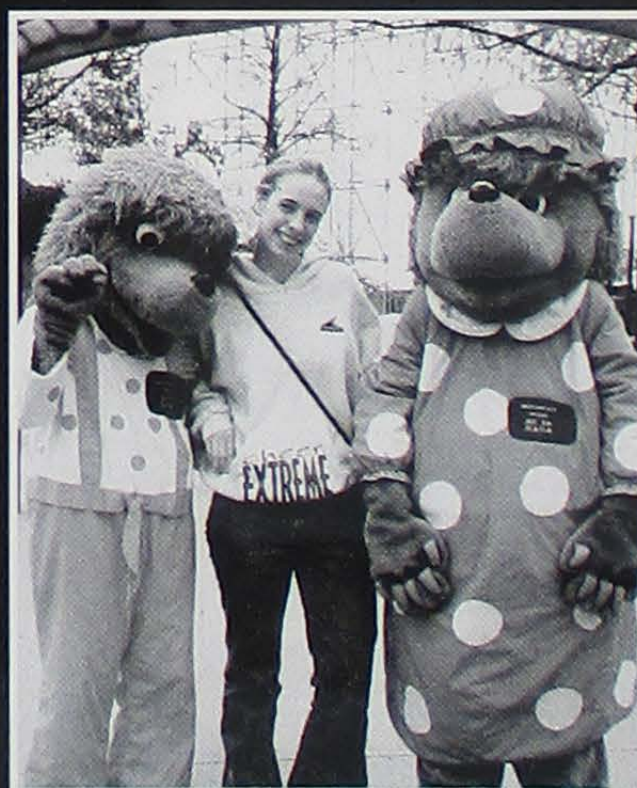
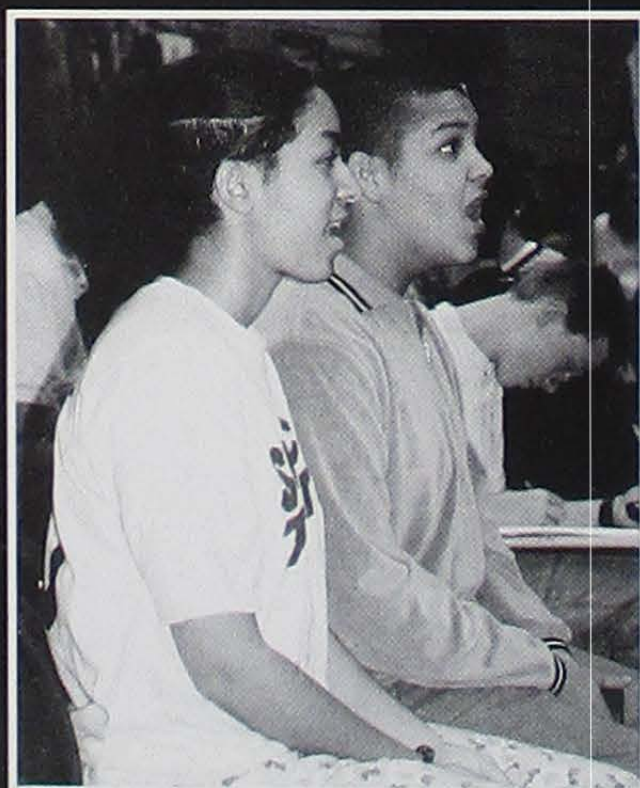
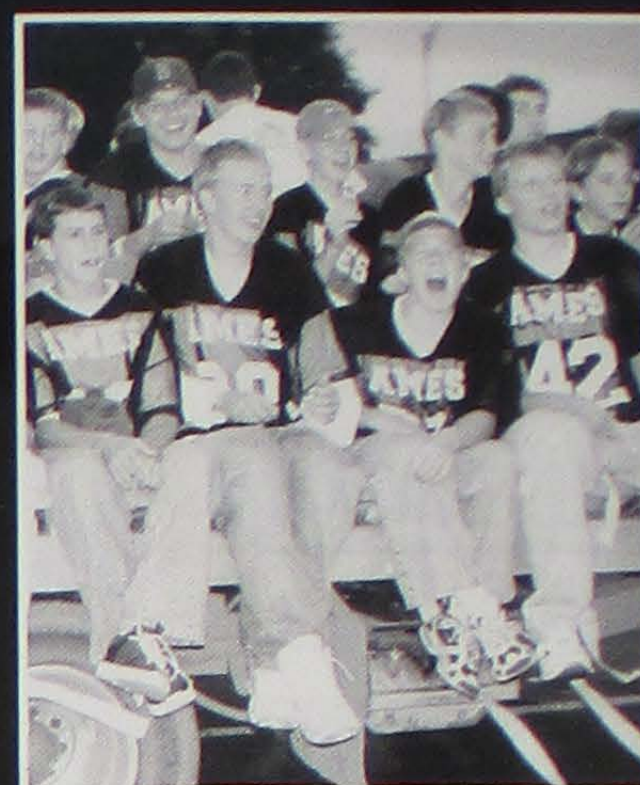
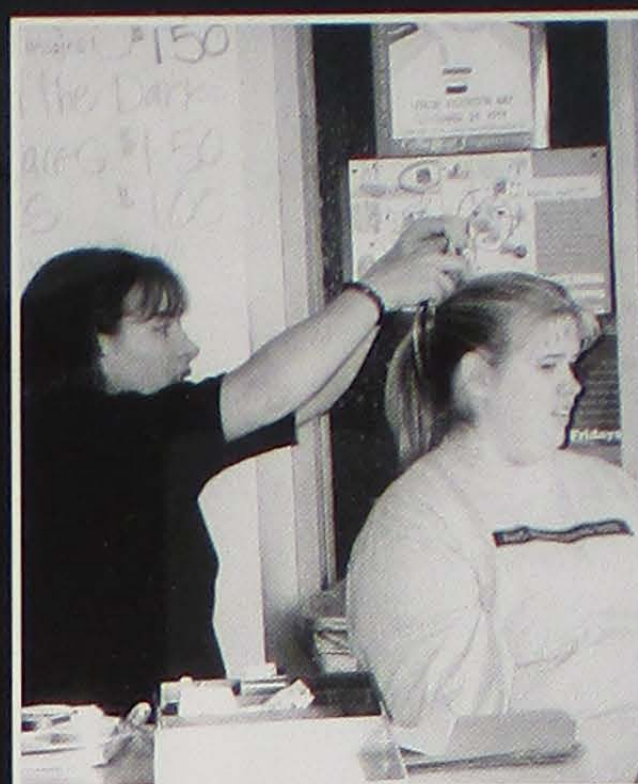


English teacher **Tonja Brooks** and art teacher **Shelli Hassebrock** pose for a quick snapshot the Friday after school ended. Brooks and Hassebrock shared memorable moments together throughout the year. (photo by Rita Carter)



Level 1a teacher **Steve Hosch** relaxes from the rigorous work load of the resource room. Hosch's sense of humor helped him relate to the students in his room. "The flower in his mouth shows the soft side of the shaved ape. We always tried to beat him up, but it was very unsuccessful. Seriously, though, Hosch is just a hang out kind of nice guy," junior **Les Lepon** said.

Baby and F r i e n d s h i p A d s



Time in a Bottle

We weave our silver threads in nets to keep
The ones we love close by our sides. How hard
The day when silver breaks and friends then seep
Into the cracks of time. To find a shard
Of days gone by can summon thoughts of those
Who're lost, but nothing ever brings souls back
When once they're buried beneath the sands. It shows
A strength of mind to stand alone but lack
Of heart and human loves. The need for friends
And when Death comes to take us forth and sends
Our souls beyond, the lost again will meet.
Through silver glints we wander every day
And never grasp what past loves have to say.

-senior Amy Hronek

No time to waste, our good-byes are near
Soon you'll be gone, and I'll still be stuck here
The memories created, the time gone by
I lived my life with you by my side
With you in college and not across the street
How will I deal? How will I feel complete?
From days of Barbies and dolls galore
To a time where that didn't matter anymore
Your life has begun, the "real" world near
But please promise one thing, our memories will stay dear
For we will both move on, but when we return at last
We can play with the dolls and dance with our past.

-junior Christi Baumeister



Laugh with her,
play with her,
watch her with pride . . .
Talk with her,
learn with her,
stand by her side . . .
Dream with her,
grow with her,
all your lives through . . .
And she'll share a
world of joy with you.



Congratulations Ki!
Love, Mom and Dad

Danny,
With your
winning smile,
you'll go far.
From your
biggest fans,
Dad, Mom, and
Louise



Sarah Tapper
Cherish the memo-
ries, reflect on life's
successes, dream for
the future, and make
your mark in this
millennium really
count.

We Love You,
Dad, Mom, Rachel,
and David



Andrew,
Where did all the years go?
We are so pleased with the
person you have become.
We will miss you.
Love,
Mom and Dad



Thanks for your love, music,
and spirit. We wish you a
bright future.

Love,
Mom, Dad, David, and Angie

Heidy,

You are a unique,
precious, and sweet
girl. May your future
be filled with success
and happiness.
Love,
Aunt, Uncle and Sandy



**Congratulations
Shelly!!**

*We're very proud of
you. We wish you
continued success
as you pursue your
dreams.*

*Love,
Mom, Dad and Kyle*





Congratulations Dan!
Our wishes for your
success and happiness,
as well as our love
and support are with
you always.
Love,
Mom, Dad, and Greg



What's next?

We're proud of you!
We love you!
Mom, Dad, Adrienne,
Anneke

Our dreams for you
were endless. Now
follow your dreams,
for the future is
yours.
Love,
Mom, Dad, Bob,
Mark, Sarah, and
Angela

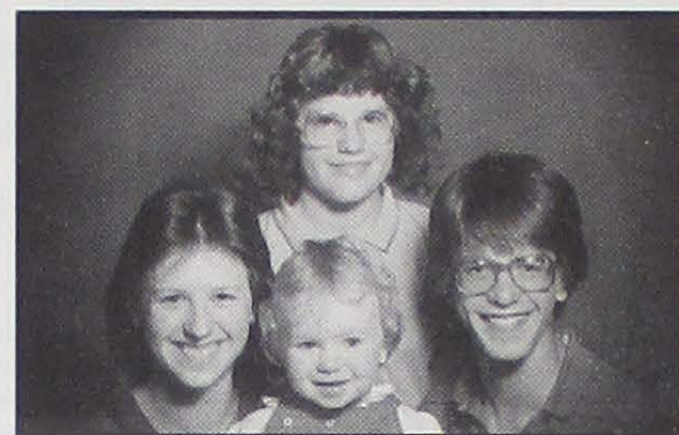


Congratulations Lynse!
We're proud of you!
Never stop swinging
toward your goals!
Love,
Mom, Dad, Chelsey, and
Brad

*Shoot for the moon. Even if you miss
it, you will land among the stars.*



Congratulations Alyssa!
We are very proud of you.
God bless you always.
All our love,
Mom, Dad, and Amanda



*"Hold fast to dreams, for if dreams die,
life is a broken bird that cannot fly."*
- Langston Hughes

"The Dorr Four"

Scott	1986
Michelle	1988
Shawn	1989
Samantha	2000



*Oh, the places you will go...
follow those dreams*

Still smiling after all those years!!
Congratulations Nicole!
We love you,
Mom, Dad, Lindsey and Paige



Congratulations Dan: scholar,
artist, musician, activist, writer,
swimmer, and all around great son.
We love you - Mom and Dad



Be happy in
whatever you
do in your life.
Good Luck!
Mom and Dad

Dan-
We're so very proud of
you and all of your
accomplishments.
We Love You,
Mom, Dad, and Alex



The beauty of the stars are
but a twinkle in your eyes.
Shine brighter each day and
never stop reaching for them.

With our love,
Mom, Dad,
Rob and
Jonathan



Steve,
Always remember,
don't go through life;
Grow through life.
Believe in yourself
like we believe in you.
Love,
Dad, Mom & Luke

*I listen to the wind, to the wind of my
soul.
Where I'll end up, I think only God really
knows.*

-Cat Stevens



Melissa,
We love you more than anything. You amaze
us! We are so proud of the young woman
you've become. We look forward to the
adventures you still have before you.
Love,
Mom, Dad and Michelle

From day one, your
beaming smile and
enthusiasm have
warmed our hearts
and been expressed
in God's gifts to you
through athletics,
education and
friendliness.
We love you!
Your Family



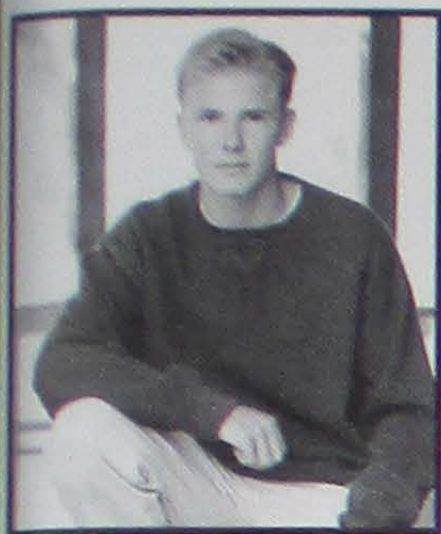
*You'll
always be
"The Little
spook"*

*Daniel C. Burrow--
Good luck in the next stage
of your life--college, career,
new friends and experiences.*

*We are proud of you.
Love Always--
Mom, Jamie, Dad, Robin
and Joey*



Alec David Otteman



Congratulations! We are so proud of you and wish you happiness and success in all that you do.

Love,
Mom, Dad and Andrea

Dearest Kendra,
I miss your little pink bows. I will love you always.

Love,
Mom



Ashley,
You're **AWESOME!**
We hope all your dreams come true!
Love,
Mom, Dad, Matt, Leah,
Scooby and Kevin

WE LOVE YOU, ALAN!

Mom,
Dad,
Carlene
and
Sydne



"I'm a million different things, not one you know."



Elizabeth,
Precious then...
Precious now.
Congratulations
and Love,
Mom, Dad, Katherine
and Jonathan

George Hetffield

Congratulations! - For all of your accomplishments, and for your courage, faith, integrity, and perseverance. May your heart continue to grow with such virtues. I love you!

Mom



Kevin:

"Go confidently in the direction of your dreams. Live the life you have imagined."

Thanks for making our dreams come true.

Love,
Mom & Dad



*Betsy
"Missy"
Deardorff*

Always remember to be a cheerbear. Enjoy life, pursue your dreams, and always keep the tires side down.

*Love Always,
Mom, Dad
and Lucas*



BLAKE SHEPHERD

Congratulations
Your quiet glow has
added so much
SONshine to our
lives! The best of
everything.
Love,
Mom, Dad and Seth



Ho'omaika'i Mahealani!

*You are unique and special and
we are so proud of the young
woman you have
become.*

*Always remember that we love
each other!*

Mom, Dad and Eric



Michael,
We are very proud of
your accomplishments
and we wish you a life
of happiness and
fulfillment as you
pursue your dreams.
Love,
Mom and Dad

Aaron Brown



You have brought such joy and
happiness into my life. I love
you and am so proud of you.
Love always,
Mom



YOU'VE BUILT A
SOLID FOUNDATION.
KEEP GOING!
CONGRATULATIONS!
LOVE,
MOM, DAD
AND SISTER

Molly Muehe

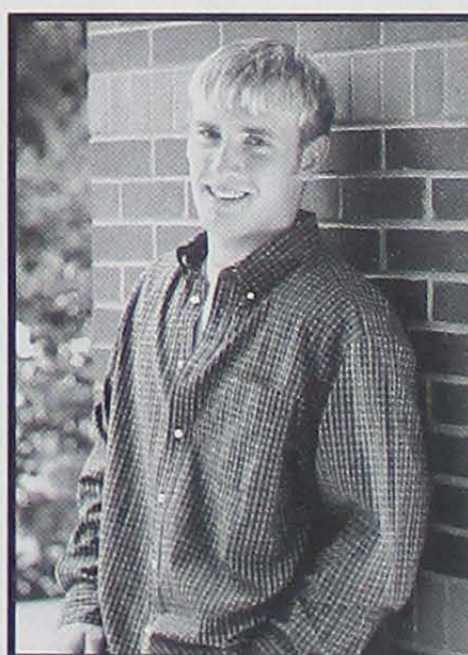


Dear Molly,
We've always been proud of you
and
'we hope all your drema come true.
Love you bunches,
Dad & Mom
John & David

Congratulations Adam!



You finally
got your
wings.
Don't foget to
flap!
We Love You,
Mom, Dad
and Nick



Isaiah 54: 2-3
Stephanie
Megan
Jessica
Katie
Shannon
Kyle



Jessica Lee Bents
Congratulations,
Jessica. We're proud
of you. Thanks for every
memory. Remember
Hebrews 12: 1-2
Run with endurance
Dad, Mom, Jeremy,
Katie



Kristin,
You are a wonderful daughter and a
terrific big sister. We're very proud
of you!

Love,
Mom, Gene, Katie and Austin



Kari,
Reach for the stars!
You can accomplish
anything.
Love,
Mom, Dad, Anne and
Missy

"Many, O Lord my God, are
the wonders you have done, the
things you planned for us..."



Love,
Mom, Dad, Shannon and Kyle

"MY MEGAN"



Lindsay,

What a wonderful journey it's been!
You truly were a gift God! All our
love forever.

Mom, Dad and Brandon



Michael
Thanks for the
memories!
You'll always
be number one
in our hearts.
Mom, Dad and
Betsy

Scott,
Thanks for being
such a loving son.
May God bless you
and walk beside you
in whatever you do.
We love you!
Mom and Dad



Congratulations
Robyn!
We wish you
much happiness
and success in
your future.
Love,
Mom, Dad, and
Scott



Anne,
Congratulations!
Thanks for all the
joy that you have
given us. Keep
singing, riding and
driving :).
We love you,
Dad, Mom, Will and
the herd

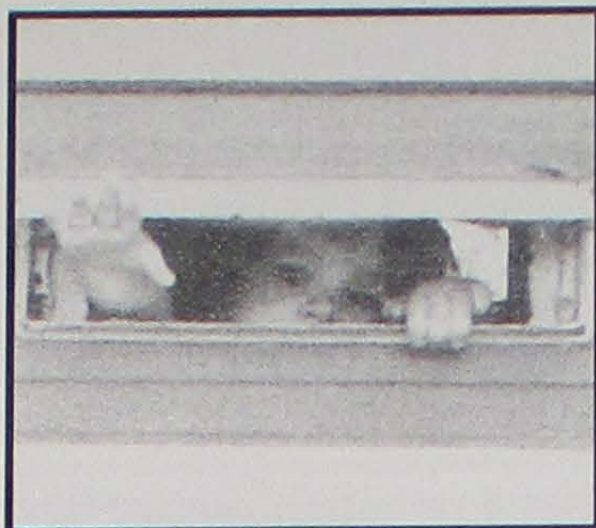
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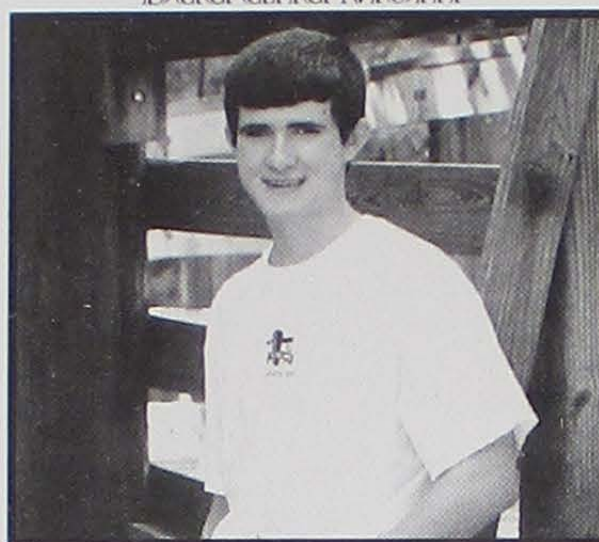
Life ...
Let'er rip!
Love,
Mom
Dad
&
Kyle



Believe in yourself and
follow your dreams. Your
smile lights up our lives.
Dad is always with you.
Love, Mom, Chris and
Emily



Ben,
As you leave
our home
and school,
know that you are led
by God.
Love,
Dad and Mom



Love you,
Nickel Pickle!
Mom, Dad &
Kelly
XO XO XO

*Congratulations Terri!
Thanks for all the joy and
many supprises you bring us.
We love you and are proud of
you always!*

*Love,
Mom, Dad and Jennifer*



*Thank you, Beth, for all the
joy you've added to our lives.
We couldn't be more proud.
Reach for your dreams!
Love,
Mom, Dad, and Laura*

*Sarah,
You have brought
such joy into our
lives. We are very
proud of you.
Love,
Dad, Mom, and
Ryan*



Congratulations Graduate!
We couldn't be more proud of you!
Love ya Always,
Dad, Kris, Cody, Kourtney, Kathryn,
Elizabeth, and Little Miss Madeline

*To our Favorite
Daughter
Best of luck in all
you choose to do!
Love,
Mom & Dad*



*Way to go Kearstin!
You did it!
We're so very proud
of you!
Love,
Mom, Dave
& the kids*

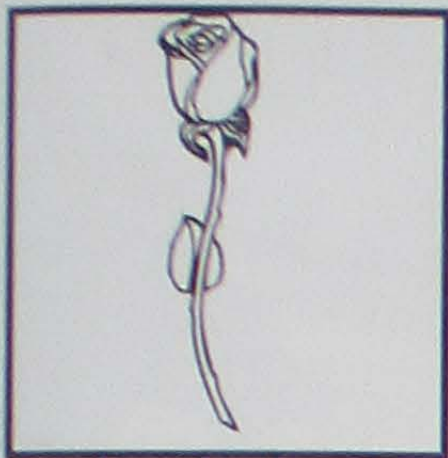


*Congratulations,
Lindsay!
We are proud of you
and wish you every
happiness and
success.
Dad, Mom, and Tom*



*Joel Britson
Congratulations
Joel!
May all your
dremas come true.
Love,
Mom, Dad and
Sara*





*Congratulations
Hilary!*

*Thank you for the abundant joy and
love you have given us. Wishing you
happiness and joy as you continue
life's journey.*

*Love,
Mom, Dad, Adam and Britta*



*We'll miss "hangin'" with
you, Meg. May all your
dreams come true.*

*Love,
Bronk, Mom & Josh*

Congratulations John Holscher!



*We are very proud of
your accomplishments.
More importantly, we
marvel at your honesty,
integrity, and sincerity.*

*Love,
Mom, Dad and
Asheley*

*Good luck,
Megan!
We are proud
of you!
Love,
Mom and Dad*



*Kelcey,
Shoot for the
moon.*

*Even if you
miss, you'll be
among the
stars.*

*Love Always,
Mom, Dad,
Emilyn and
Sam*



Matt,

*Your mountains are waiting
so be on your way.*

*Best of luck and all of our
love-*

Mom, Dad & Katie

Jonathan Cole Jackson

Remember your roots

Trust your wings

Follow your dreams

All our love

Mom, Dad, Uncle Jay & Murphy



*Carpe diem, guys! Great
fortune in all you seek.
Have enjoyed sharing the
love and respect, and
watching you grow.
Continue coloring outside
the lines. Mom*



"I LOVE YOU AND LIKE YOU AND
KISS YOU ON THE NOSE"
YOU'VE ALWAYS BEEN YOUR OWN
PERSON, PATRICK, ALWAYS TRUE TO
YOURSELF. IT HASN'T ALWAYS
BEEN EASY BUT IT HAS MADE YOU
THE STRONG COMPASSIONATE
PERSON THAT YOU ARE. WE'RE
ALSO SO VERY PROUD OF YOU.
THESE ARE TRULY GREAT THINGS
FOR YOU IN THIS LIFE.
LOVE,
DAD, MOM & SABRINA



Congratulations Andrew!
In all your ways acknowledge
Him and He will direct your
path.
Proverbs 3:6
We love you, and are proud of
your accomplishments.
Dad, Mom & Megan

To Lindsay



"Ask and it will be
given; seek and you
will find; knock and the
door will be opened to
you." Matthew 7:7
Love always, Mom



Lindsay Rose,
Every day with you has
been a blessing. Continue
your life journey with joy
in your heart, honorable
principles, and a love for
all humankind.
All our love,
Mom, Dad, Jim and Sam



Jill . . . Looking to the future with a smile!
Congratulaitons Love, Mom & Dad

Meghan Ritts,

From your first day of
kindergarten at Roosevelt through
your graduation from Ames High,
what a wonderful journey it's been.
We Love You,
Mom & Dad



Jen,
We love you and are
so proud of you! May
God bless and guide
you always.
Love,
Dad, Mom, Rachel,
Luke and Bre



"You've Come A
Long Way, Baby!"
And, you haven't
changed a bit!
We love you,
Wendy!
Mom & Dad

"For this child we
prayed, and God has
given us the desire of
our hearts!"
Peter James Chidister
We love you deeply!
Dad & Mom



Susan
Keep on
reaching
out!



Congratulations
Jason!



Love,

Mom, John,
Whitney & Sam

Dad, Teresa,
Kim & Baby

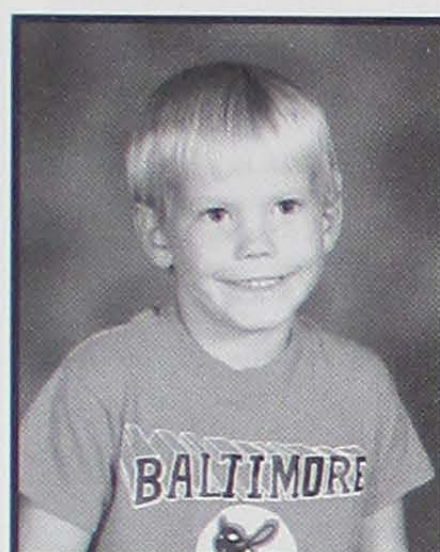


Trey,
Play hard
Have fun
Give 110%
And you know the
other one...
Always aim high
and may your
dreams come true.

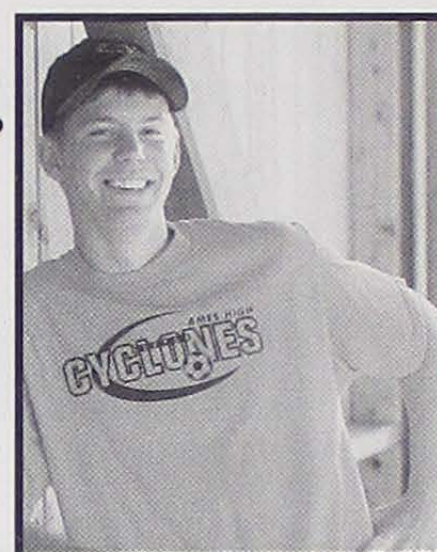
Trey Burge

... you gotta be
a man to play
baseball, but you
gotta have a lot of
little boy in you
too.

Roy
Campanella



**Mark,
As you walk on
the road of life,
we know you
will make wise
decisions, but
always remember
to put your
happiness first.
Love,
Mom, Dad,
Christine and**



To our precious
girl,
Rachel, trust the
Lord and your
future will be
bright
Proverbs 3:5-6

You've made us laugh
You've made us proud
Congratulations Patrick!



Love, Mom, Dad & Katie

Laura and Linnea

*You are a double delight, bringing an extra
measure of joy and giggles to our home.*



*We are so proud of you both and all your
accomplishments. May your futures be
filled with bright possibilities as you
follow your dreams.*

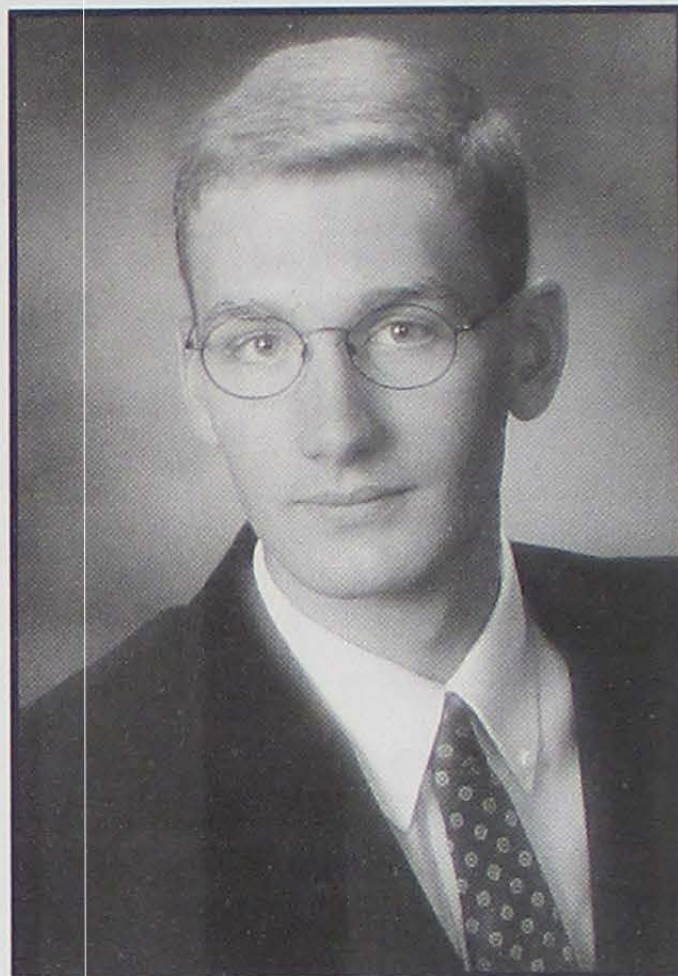
We love you!

Mom, Emily and Ben



Adlai
Take your passion
and make it
happen!

Love,
Mom, Dad and
Austin

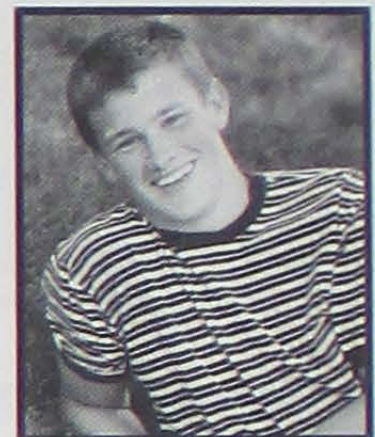


Good Luck,
Katie!



We love you,
Dad, Mom, Carrie,
Paul, and Kristine

Congratulations, Tim!



Fight the good fight
finish the course
keep the faith.
2 Timothy 4:7
We know you will.
Love,
Mom and Dad

Congratualtions Larry!



Graduation - - a time to reflect on the
past, a time to look toward the future.
Best Wishes Always!!
Love,
Your Proud Family

1 Timothy 4:12 "Don't let
anyone look down on you
because you are young, but
set an example . . ."
Michael, we love you!
Dad, Mom, Julie, Scott & Tim



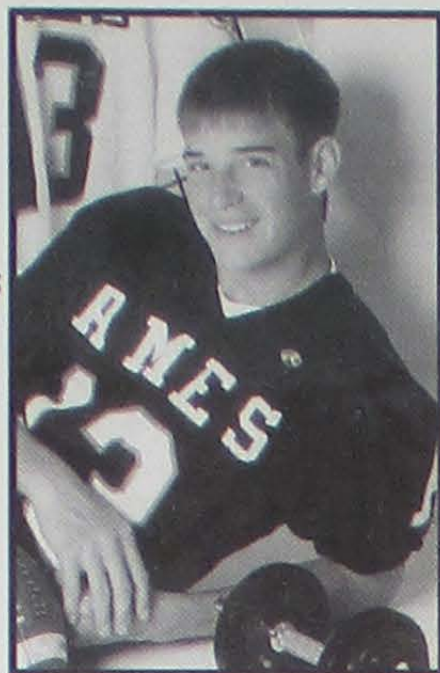
Julie,
You are a specail gift from God.
Follow your heart and dreams.
Thank you for being a wonderful
daughter and sister.
Love,
Dad, Mom, Adam



Andy

Thanks for 18 years of
memories. Keep smiling
and jump for the
clouds!

We love you always,
Mom, Dad, Robyn &
Kerry



CONGRATULATIONS KATY!



WE LOVE YOU!
MOM & DAD

Rachel Elisabeth Hall

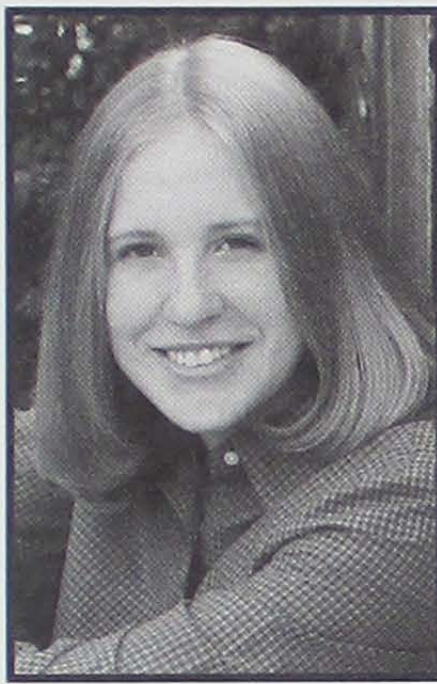


You are the Joy of our lives.
We are so proud of who you
have become!

"In all your ways acknowledge
Him and He will direct your
paths."

Proverbs 3:6

We love you Princess!
Dad, Mom, David and
Nathan



Congratulations Jenna!



We hope that every wish you have in
life comes true.

Love, Mom, Dad and Erica



Dragon slayer,
May all your
quests be glorious,
and all your deeds
be shining.
With love,
Mom and Dad

HURRAY FOR BRODIE!!



You're a special young man.
I'm very proud to call you son. May God
continue to work and bless your life.
Love Mom



*May the colors of your world blend to form
joyful patterns of experience.*

*Love,
Mom and Dad*

Congratulations Phil Christianson



Our family has been so
enriched with your
sense of humor, your
tender loving heart,
your accomplishments
and your overwhelming
strength of character
and dignity.

We love you dearly and
are so very proud.

Love,
Dad & Mom & Jeff
Bristol, Dutch & Kramer



*"In all thy ways acknowledge him and he shall
direct thy paths." - Proverbs 3:6*



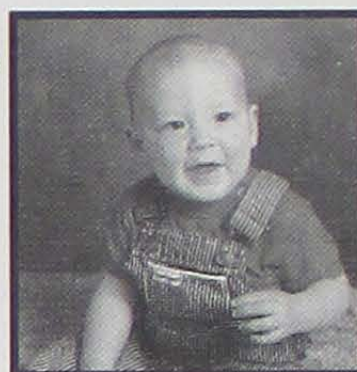
Curt. Enjoy the journey ahead of you.

*Love,
Mom, Dad, Bryan, Kristen & Justin*

Mike O'Connell

*"Your future depends
on many things, but
mostly on you!"*

*--Frank Tyger
Congratulations
Mike--improve the
world by your being!
Love, Mom, Dad &
John*



Congratulations

Dawn!

*You are the sunshine of
our lives. Best wishes
on a bright future.*

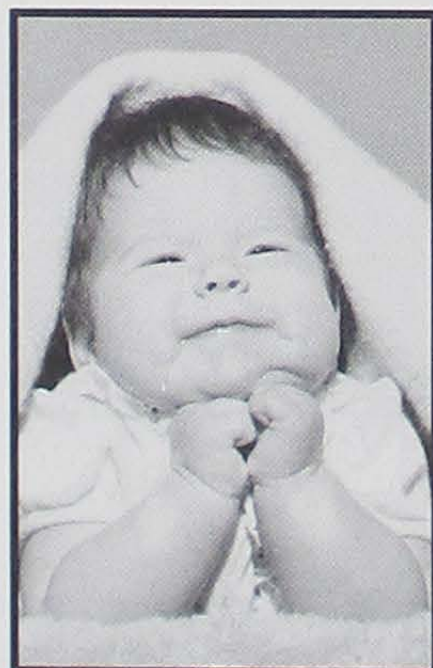
*Love,
Dad, Mom and Abby*



Jamie

*We're so proud of you and all you've done. For 4 gre
years at Ames High. You've only just begun.*

*Love
Mom, Dad, Morgan*



Stacey

*"What lies behind us and
what lies before us are
tiny matters compared to
what lies within us."
Ralph Waldo Emerson*

*Love Always,
Dad, Mom, Kristi Patrick*



MATT McDUFF



*You have the talent and determination--keep
climbing until you reach your highest goals!*

We're proud of you, Matt!

Love, Mom, Dad, Sarah & Luke



Amy

*We are proud of the young lady you have become. May your dreams come true. Our love and support are with you always.
Mom, Dad & Katie*



*Chrisy,
We are so proud
of you. Thanks
for all the great
memeories. The
best is yet to be, so
do it well!
Love Always,
Mom, Dad, Joey &
Amy*

Félicitations, Kate!

*May your feet walk
wherever your mind will
take you.*

*We are so proud!
Love, Mom, Dad & Anna*



*Ryan Jordon
Congratulations!
You can do
anything you put
your mind to.
We love you!
Mom and Andy*

Tanya Randall



*Keep Similing-
Remember who wins the
race!*

*We Love You!
Mom, Dad & Tara*

**Giles,
Your life has been a
gift from the begin-
ning! May you
someday reach the
top of the tallest
mountain and see
your dreams come
true.
Love to you from all
your family.**





*YOU'VE
COME A
LONG WAY
BABY!
WOW!*

*LOVE
YOU!
YOUR
FAMILY
AND
FRIENDS!*



KATIE MCKJERNAN

*You are an original.
NEVER STOP BEING
WHO YOU ARE.
We will always be proud of
you.*

*We love you!
Mom, Dad, Kristen and Beth*

MIKE GANO

*May the best be
always there for you
as you travel life's
journey. We are very
proud of you.*

*Love,
Mom, Dad and
Michelle*



*Jessica Lane
Lescallet
You are precious
to us.
Love,
Mom, Dad,
Jennifer, Thomas
and Cody*



*Congratulations
Emmita!
May all you have
learned guide you on
this new path. We will
always be here for
you.
Dad, Mom, Maria and
Andrea*

Katie



*You always were
the best dressed in
the family!*

Sali

*Keep this billion dollar
smile in your journey. We
are so proud of you. Our
love and support is with
you always.*

*Love,
Dad, Mom, Amar, Eman
and Umnia*



Remember ...



*Live in the world, not
just on it.
Love,
Mom & Kuba*

*Oun Platt
From a cute
little girl to a
terrific
young lady!
We are so
proud of
you*



*Keep that
smile on
your face.
Love you.
Mom and
Dad*



*Emily,
You have filled our life with joy and pride. You turned
into a beautiful, motivated, artistic, loving young woman
before our eyes.
Love Your Family*

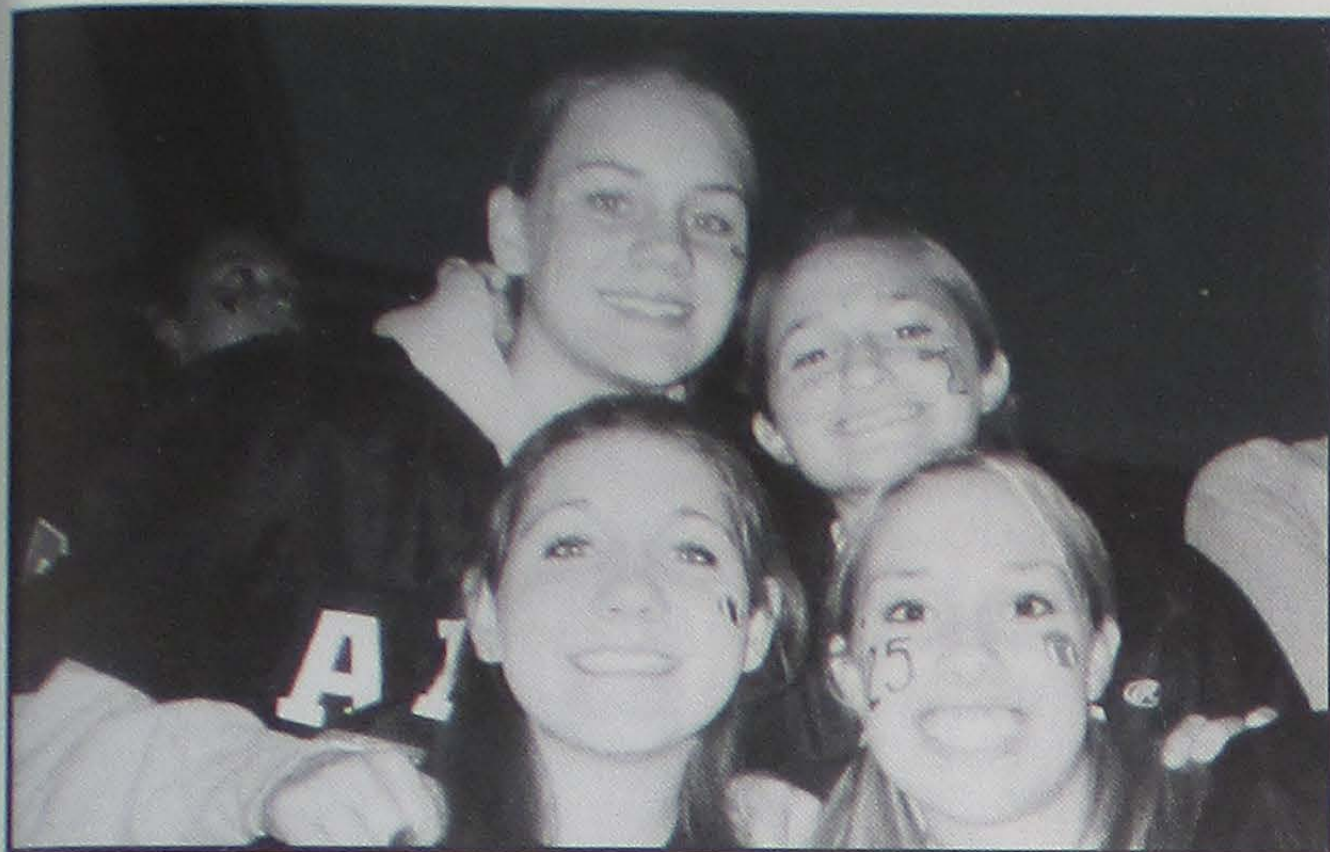
*"You must have been a beautiful
baby, 'cause baby, look at you now!"
-Thank you to all the parents who
placed baby ads!*



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First Row: Ashley VanAuken, Amber Roberts **Second Row:** Lindsay Burhenn, Nicole Olson, Sarah Tapper **Third Row:** Alyssa Sally, Kelly Bartsch, Kate Downing, LaTaia Giddens, Maya Anderson, Stacey McConnell, Amy Sargent



*Kansas City is no match for
the
Lil' Cyclones!!*

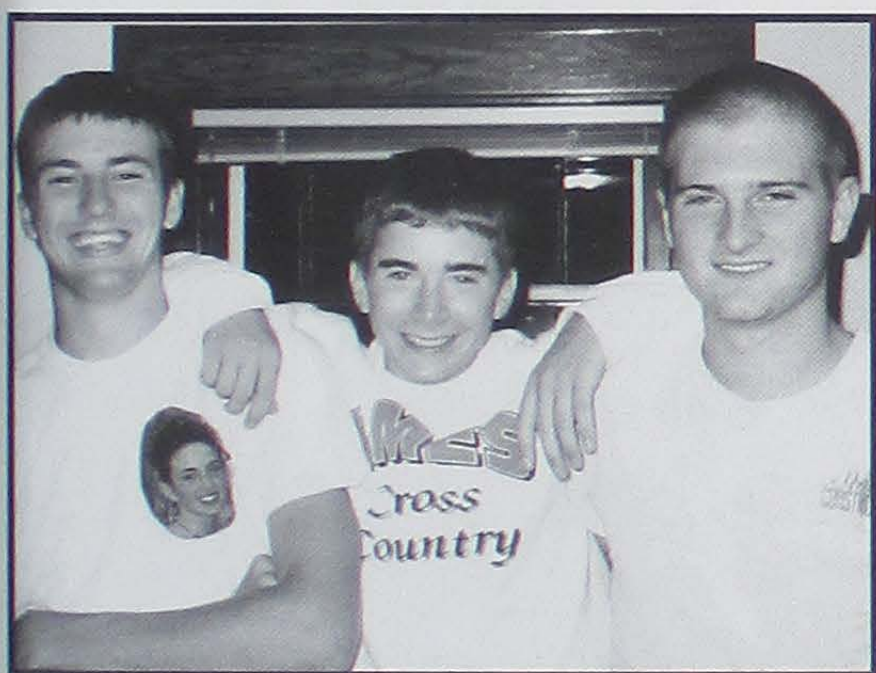
*BEST FRIENDS FORVER
Emily, Brooke, Haley, and
Sara*



*Laissez les bon temps
rouler.*

*Remember to keep
your head in the
game.*

*Love, your sister,
Christine*



**Three
muskateers
for the first
18 years!**

Peter, Josh, and Alex

**Ashley/KSIT-
Through good
times and bad, I'll
always love you
girlie.
LYLAS,
Kearstin/CPW**

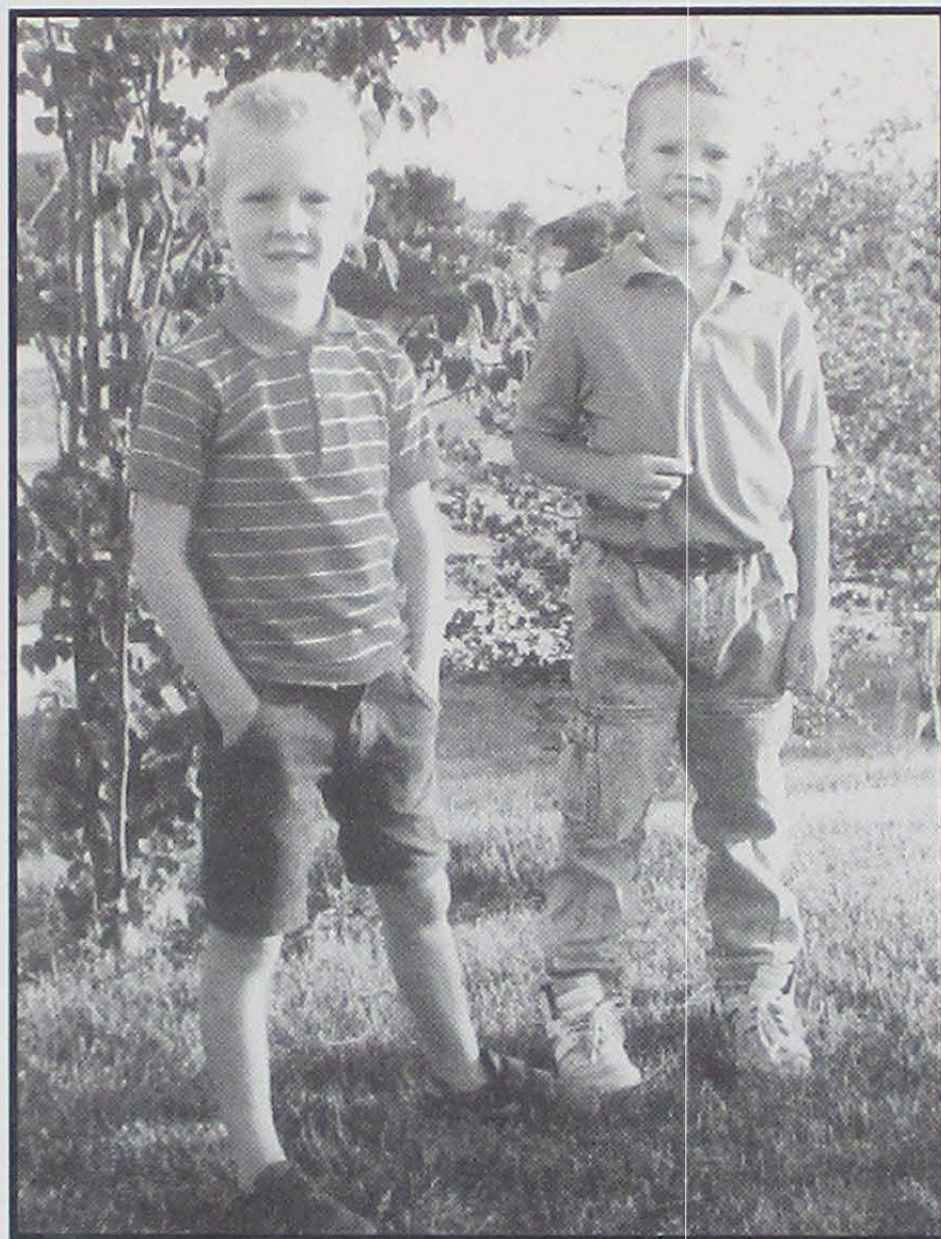


HEY YOU-
WE'RE INTO
JESUS!



"I can do all things
through Christ who
strengthens me."
Philippians 4:13

Justus and Phil



Make new friends
But keep the old
One is silver
the other gold

Love,
The Hallams and The Christiansons

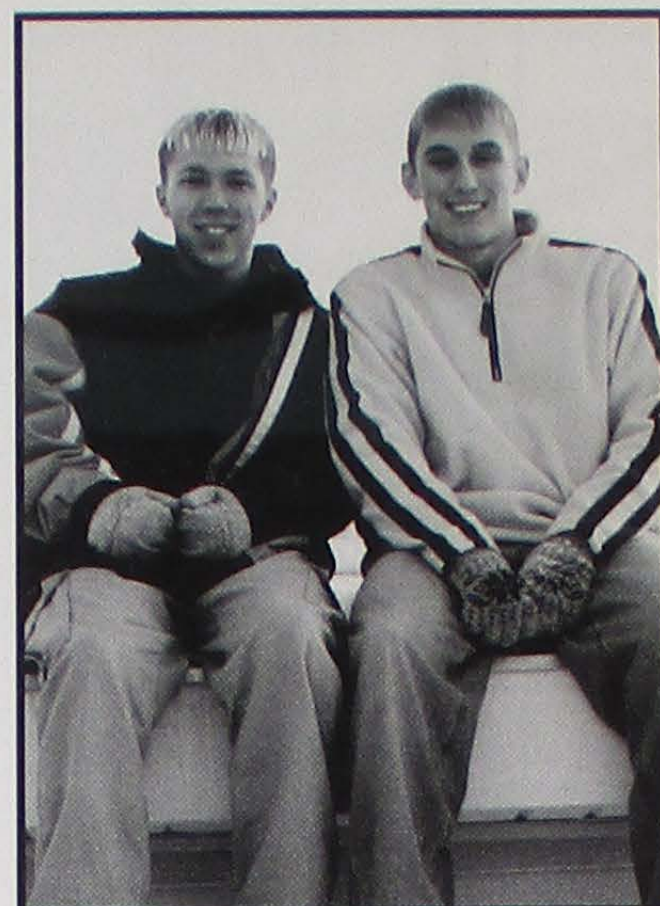
To my best friends:
Thanks for all the great
times! Good luck to all of
you!

Love ya lots,
Meggie





Ryan and Dan
 Here's to 17 years
 of friendship.
 May there be
 many more to
 come!



*We've been best friends for so many
 years,
 Laughing through the good times and
 sharing the tears.
 Sometimes we let things get in our way.
 Sometimes our friendship may go
 astray.
 But we always come back to what feels
 just right;
 The flame of our friendship will always
 burn bright.*

AMY AND JESSIE

*Best friends always,
 now and forever*

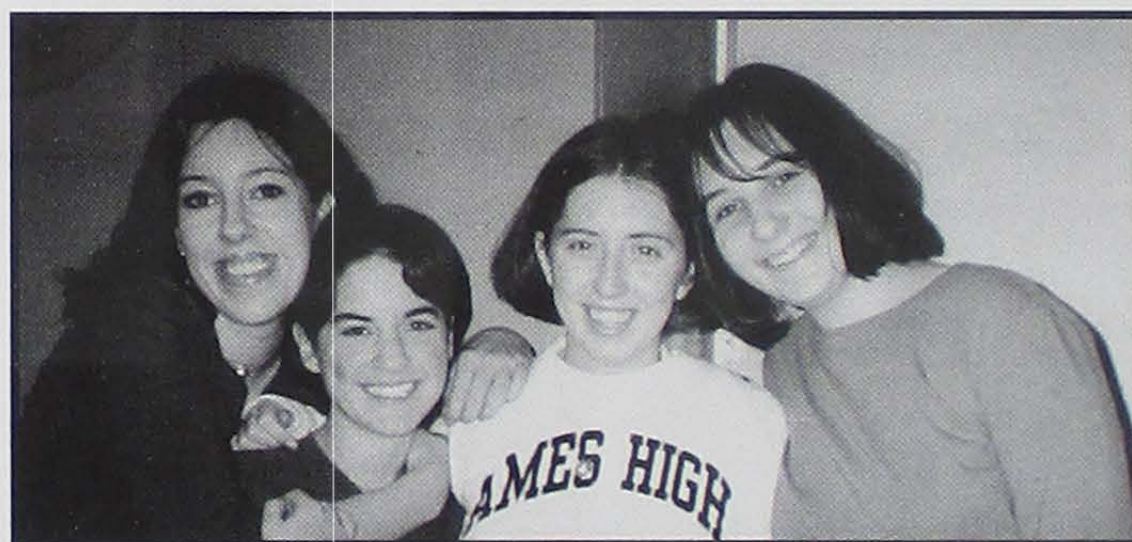


(Golds, Chump, McGee, Hoyti, and Dill)

AKA: The Chilean, A Big Melon, A Midget, A Cross Dresser, and A Mexican

“Bro’s before
what?!”

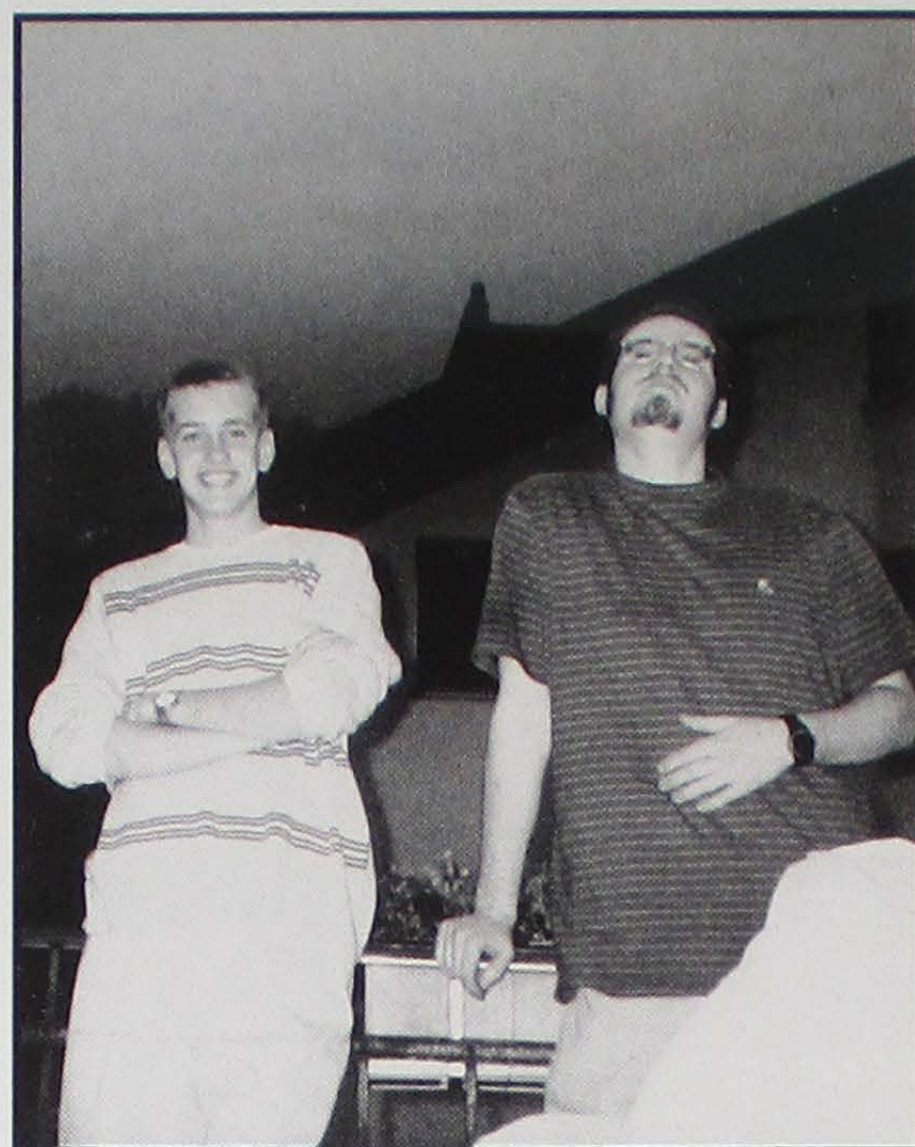
-Adrian Dedecker



Prayer requests anyone?

“Carry each others burdens.”

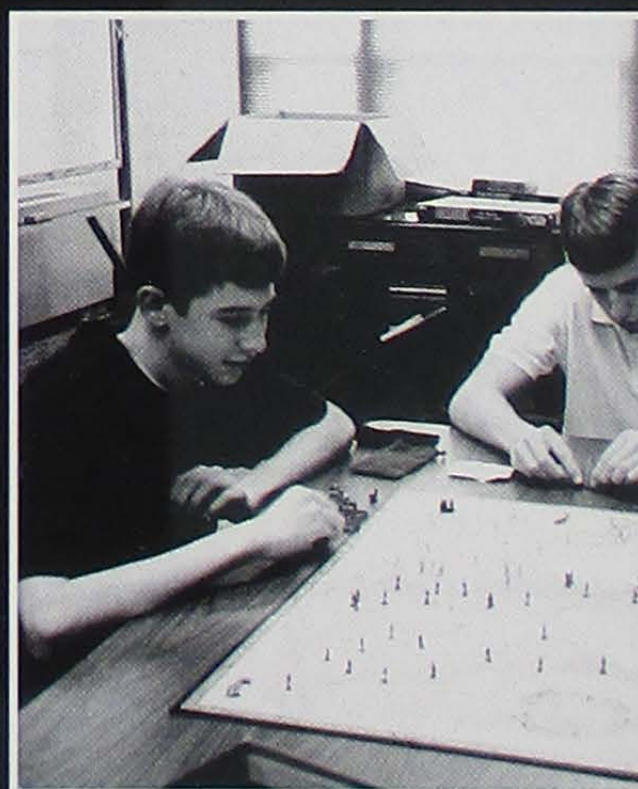
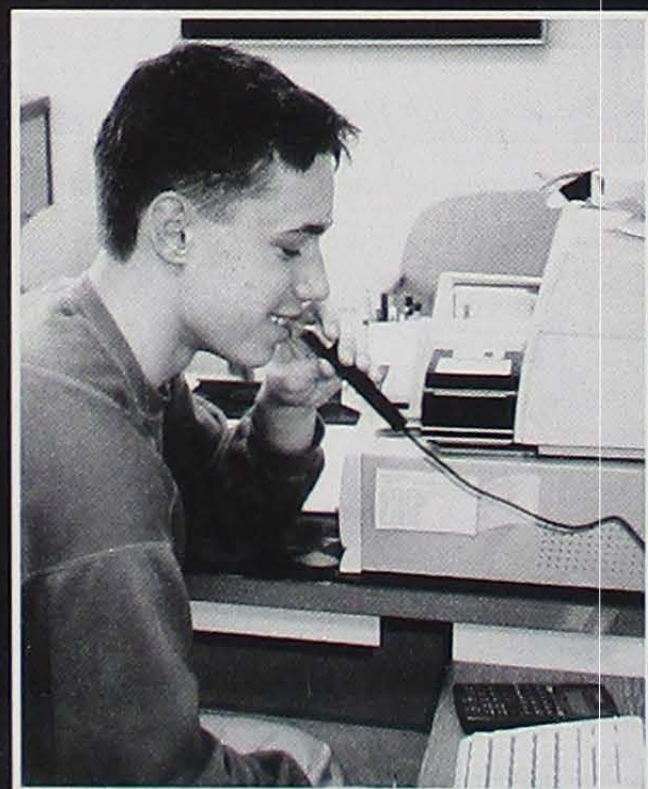
-Galatians 6:2



Croissants, water, and a Coke for \$5 a bottle. It was a small price to pay for three great weeks with some great guys. For me, it was a laugh a minute. I will remember the Europe trip for years, but I will remember you guys and the times we had for the rest of my life!

Thanks,
Adlai Hurt

I n d e x



Closing Time

Under long black robes their feet
march to the beat of time.
They glide in "pomp" and pause
in "circumstance"
to consider
how they came to be this far.

Under long black robes their hearts
beat with the march of time.
They swell with the hope and
quell the brief systole of fear
It is a natural rhythm
from known to unknown
All living things change.

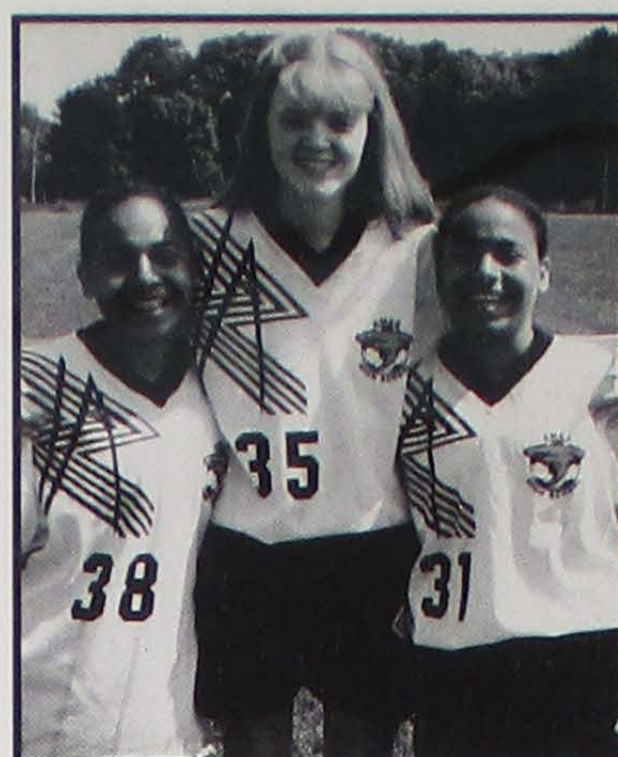
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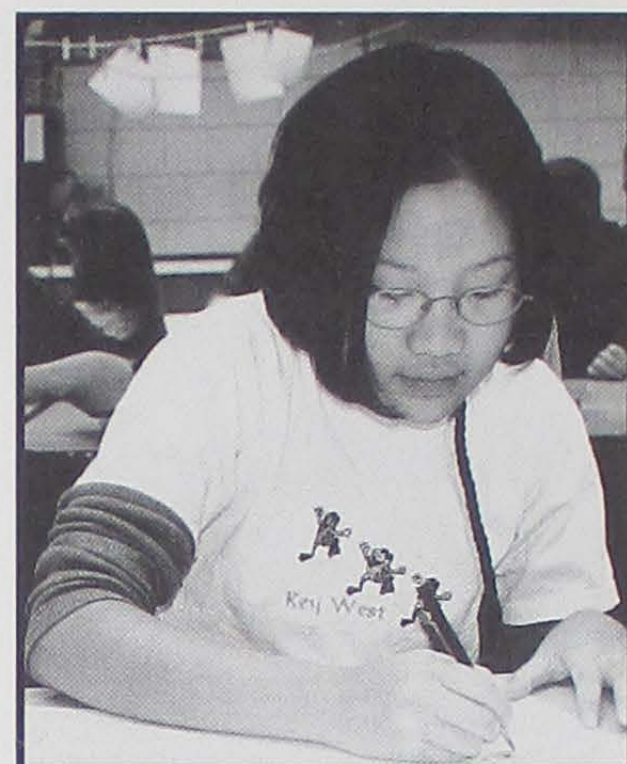
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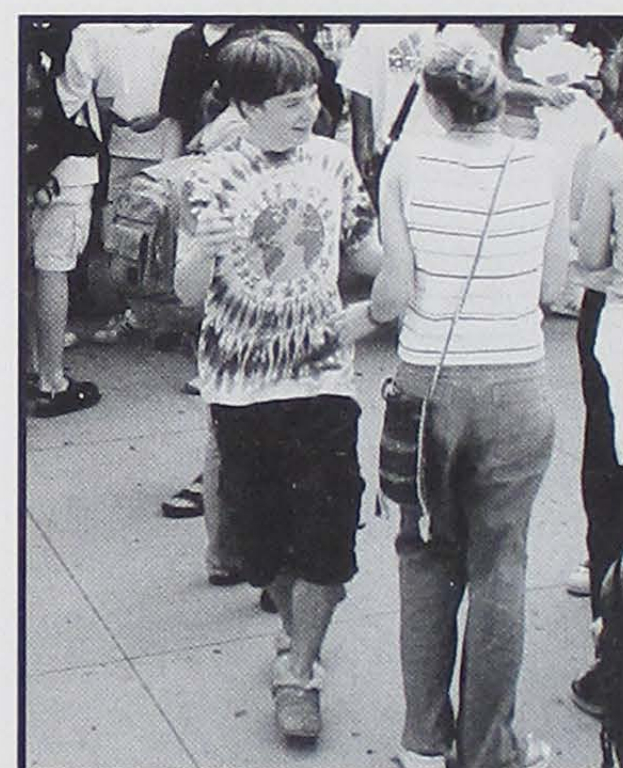
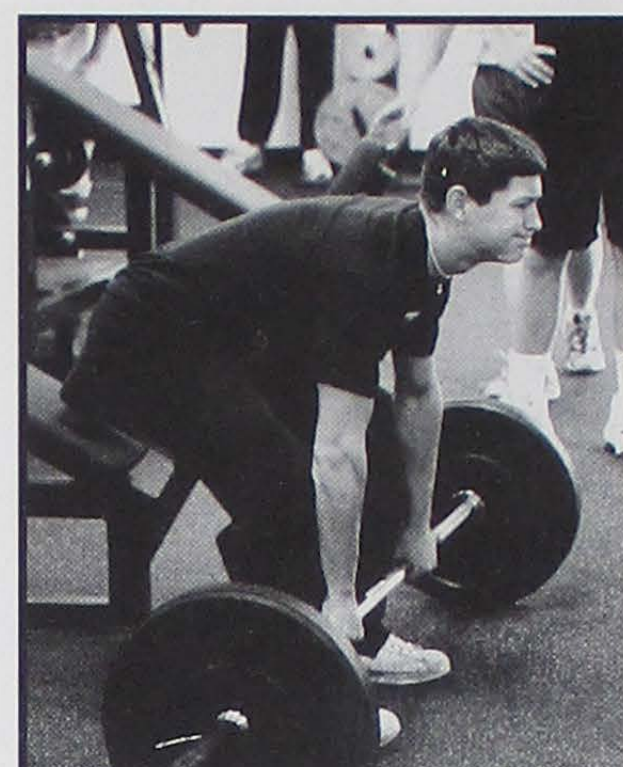
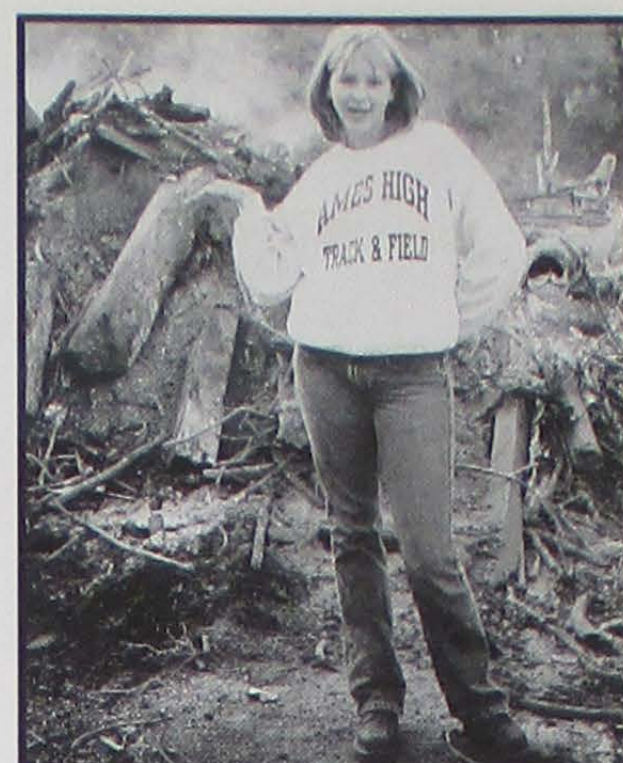
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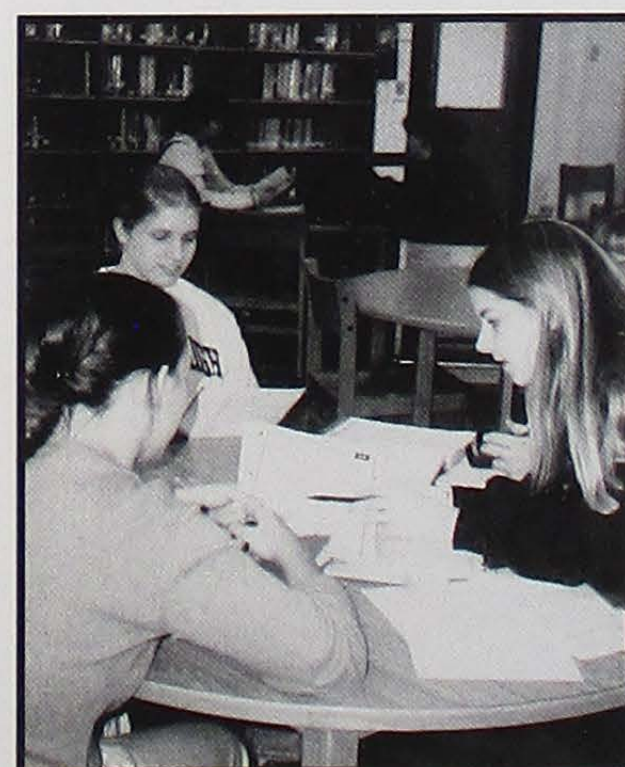
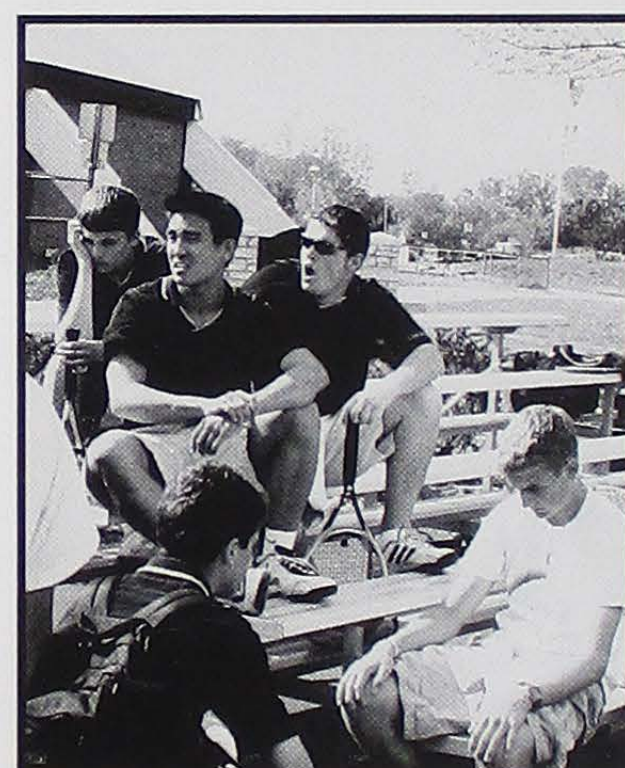
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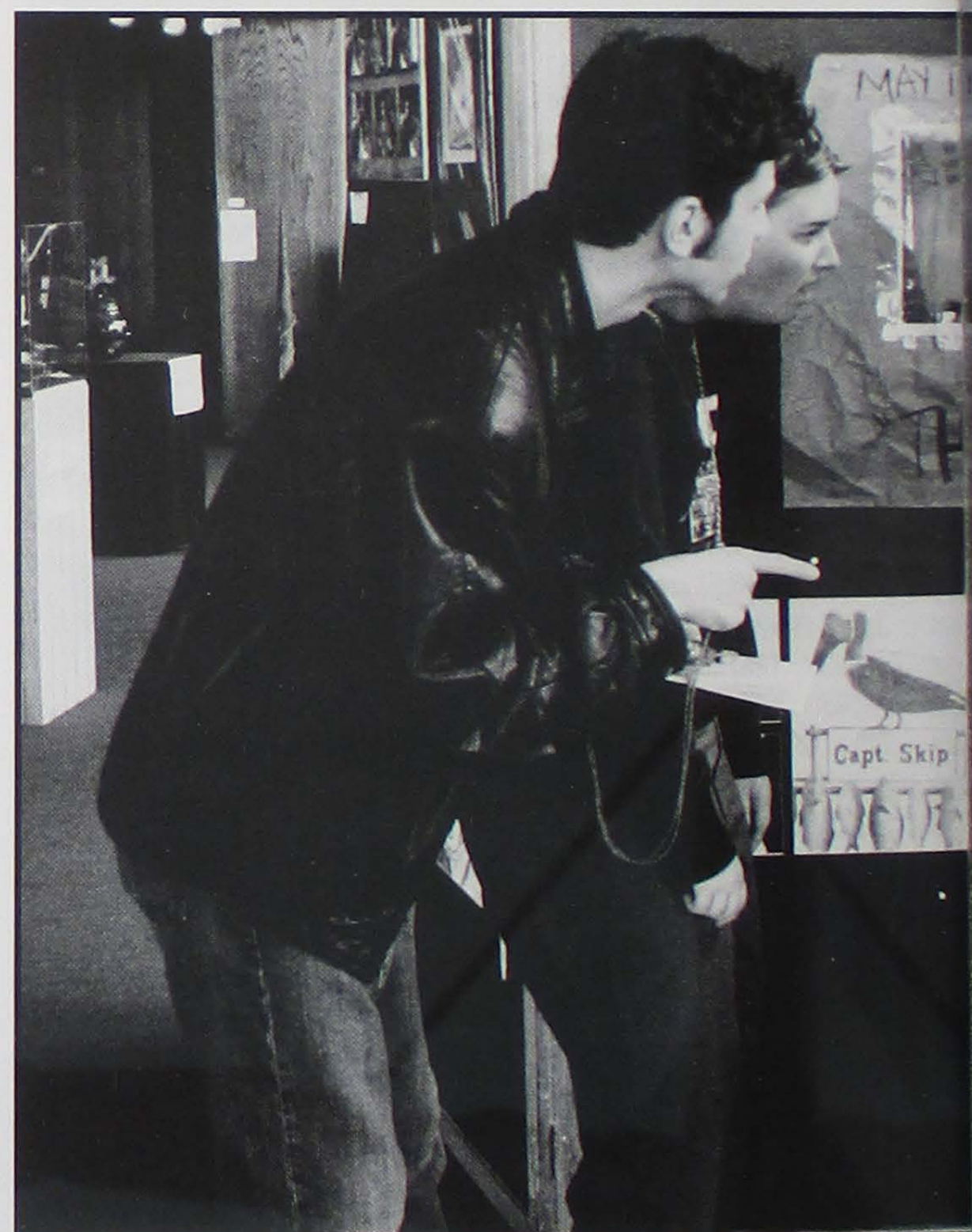


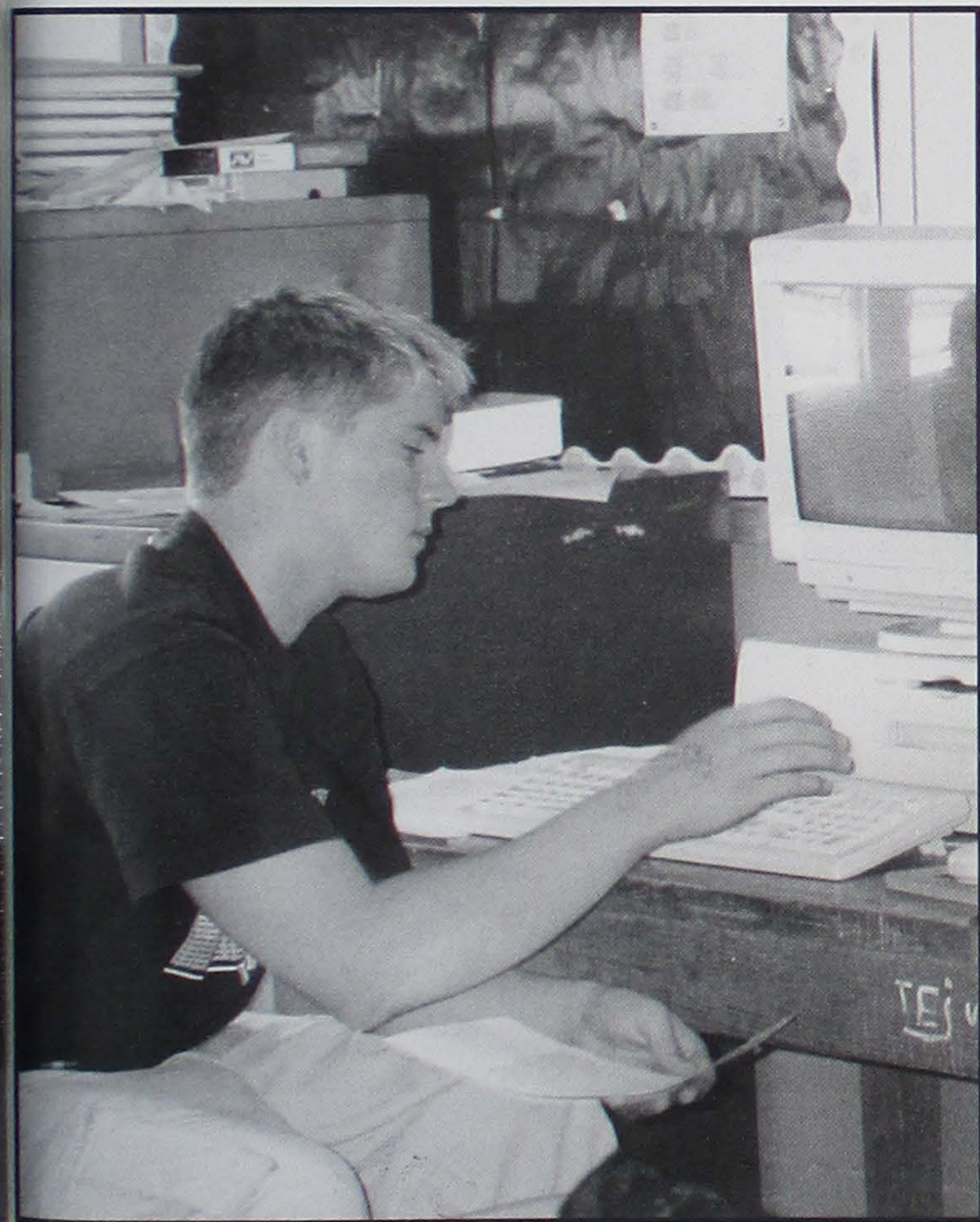
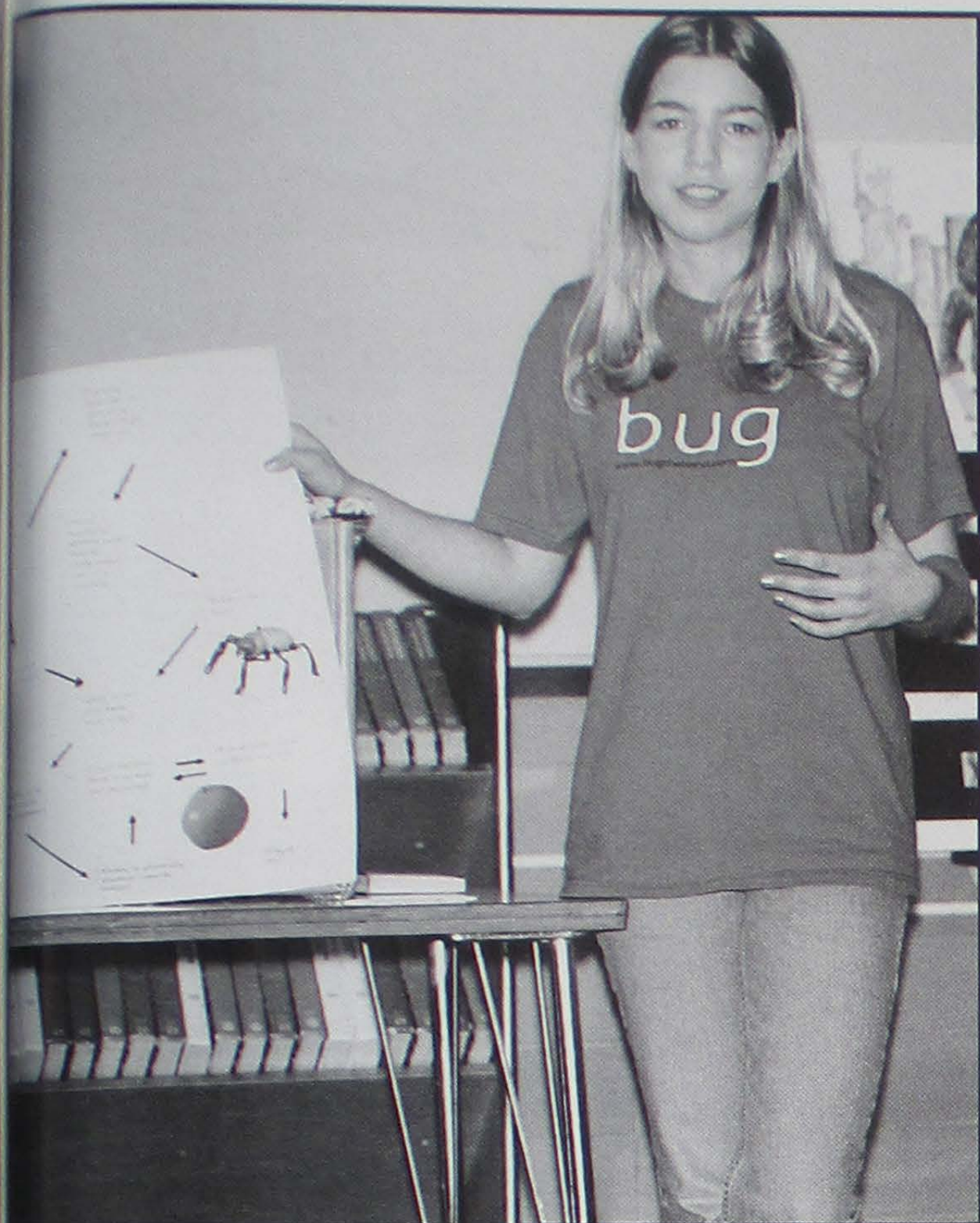
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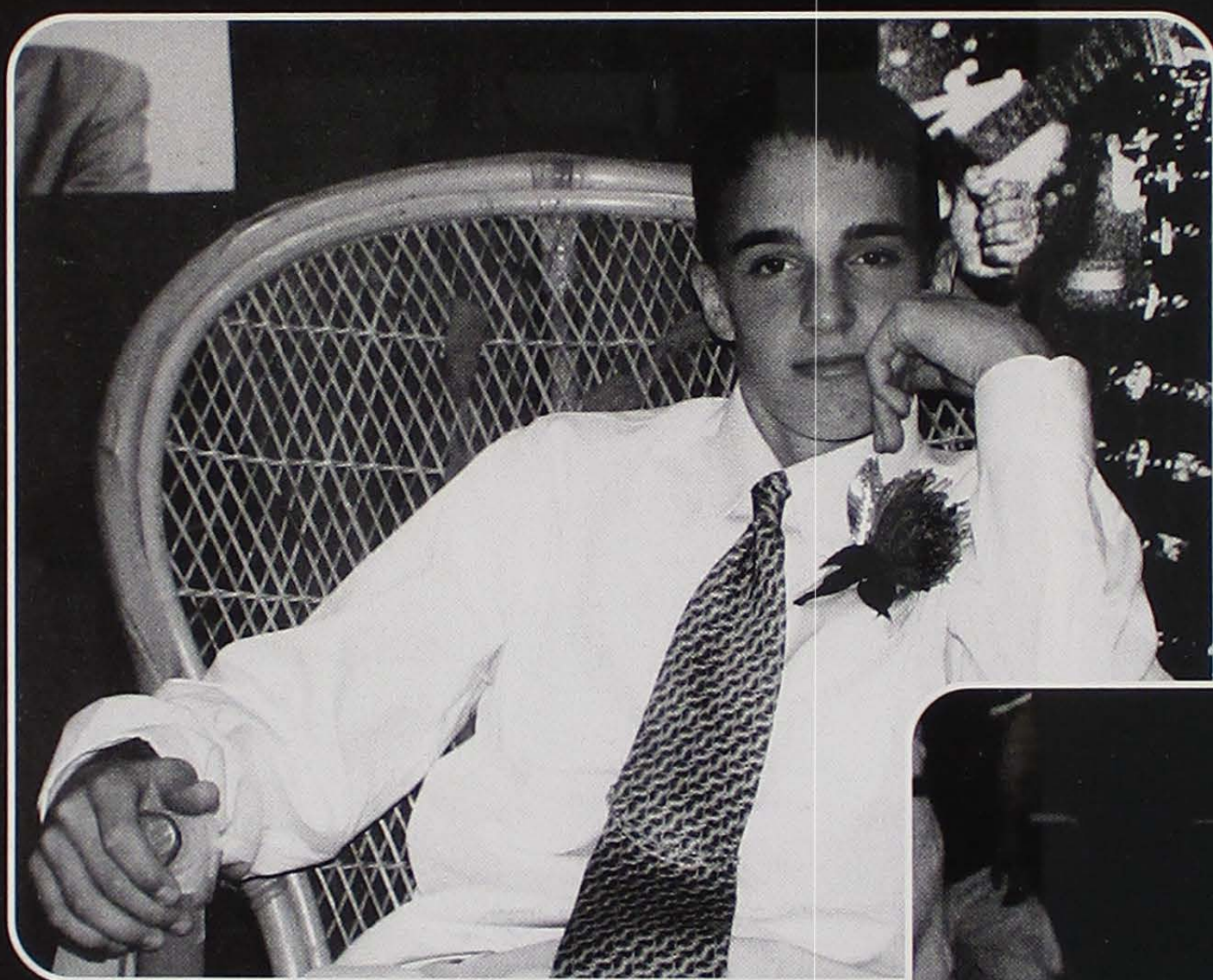
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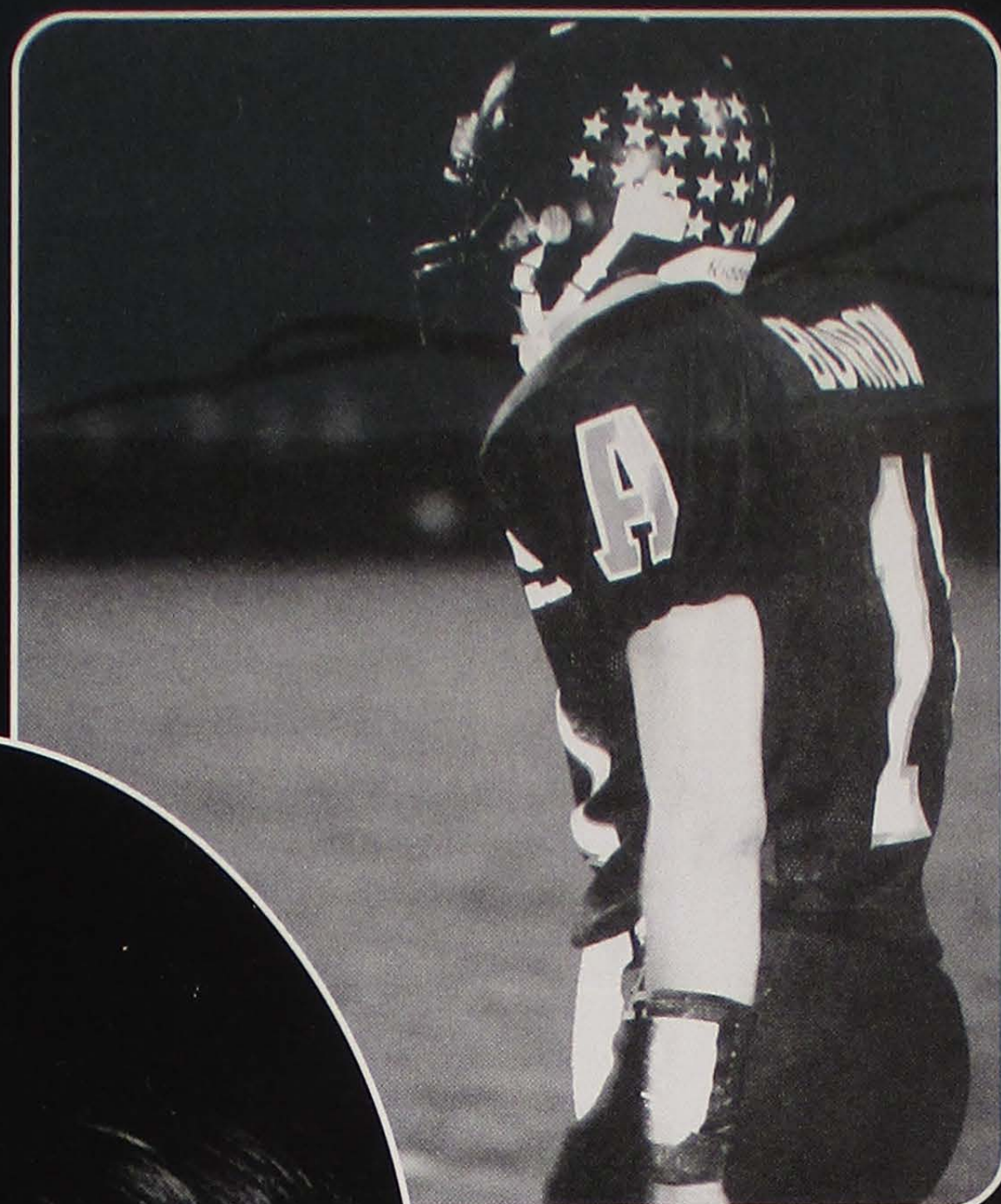


Senior Tim Hibbing portrays his pensive side while debating his chances of winning Homecoming King. (photo by Beth Peterson)

Up for a game of pool? Senior **Jerry Garcia** takes a break from intramural bowling to try his hand at pool. (photo by Brian Tenney)



Not until senior
Jenny Tuttle
gave her best
pig impression
could the varsity
boys basketball
game begin.
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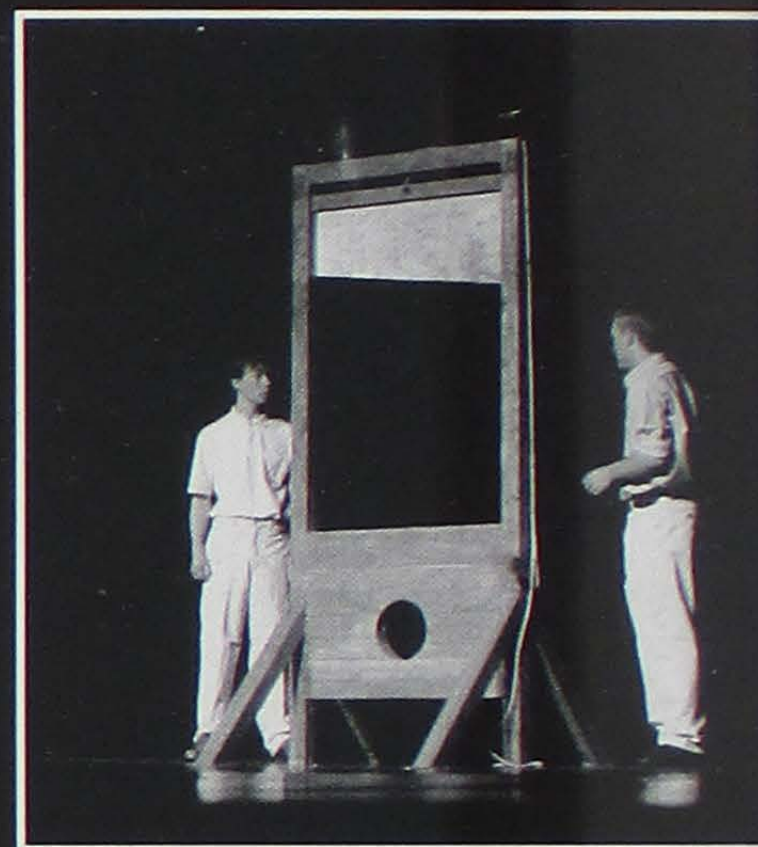
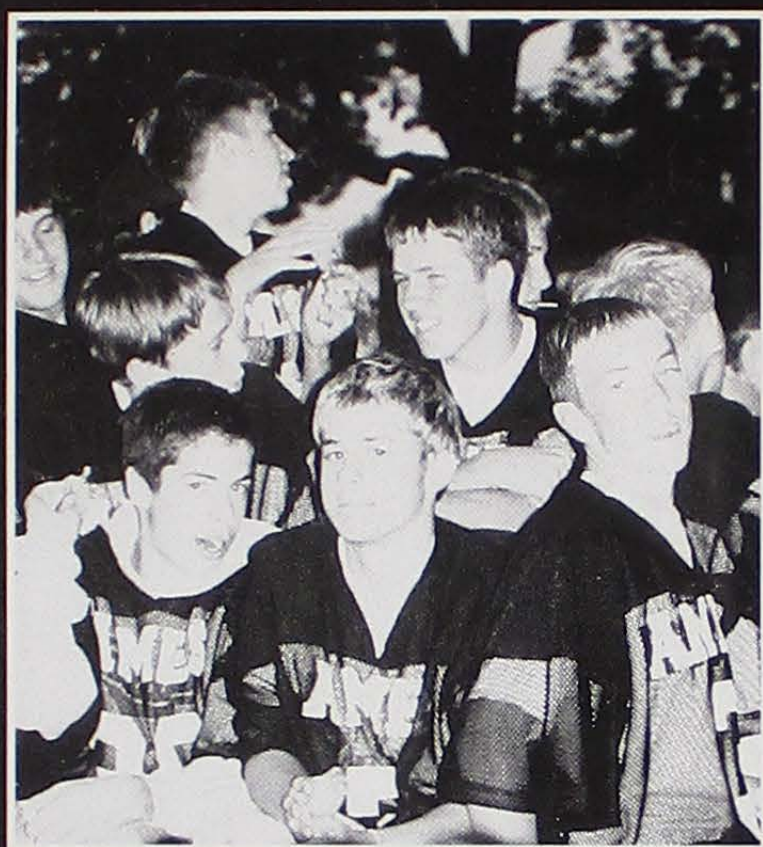


Senior and co-captain Dan Burrow
watches with frustration on
the sidelines waiting to be
put back in the game.
(photo by Beth Peterson)



Senior Alec Otteman
anticipates
his upcoming
cross country
meet. Leaving
early from
school gave
athletes time to
prepare men-
tally and physi-
cally. (photo by
Amanda Burke)

It's Our Time



"Great spirits have
always encountered
violent opposition
from mediocre
minds."
-Albert Einstein

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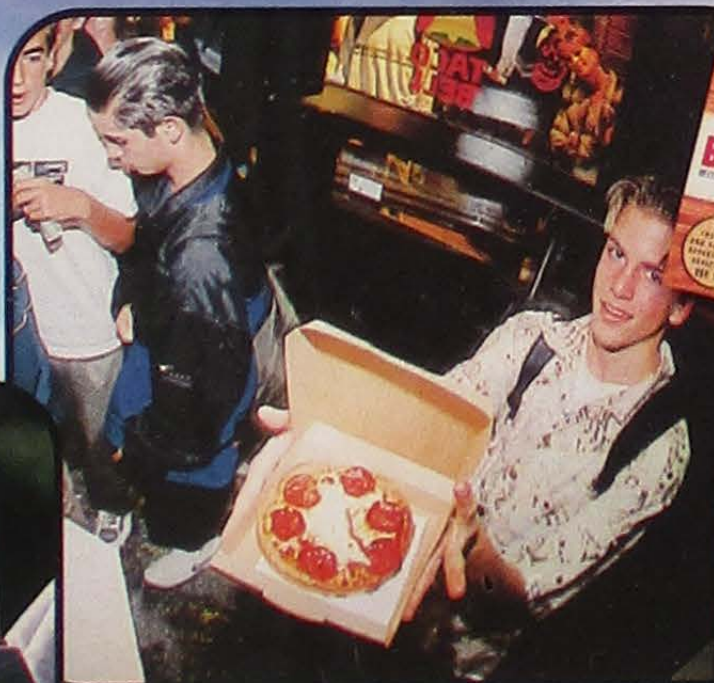


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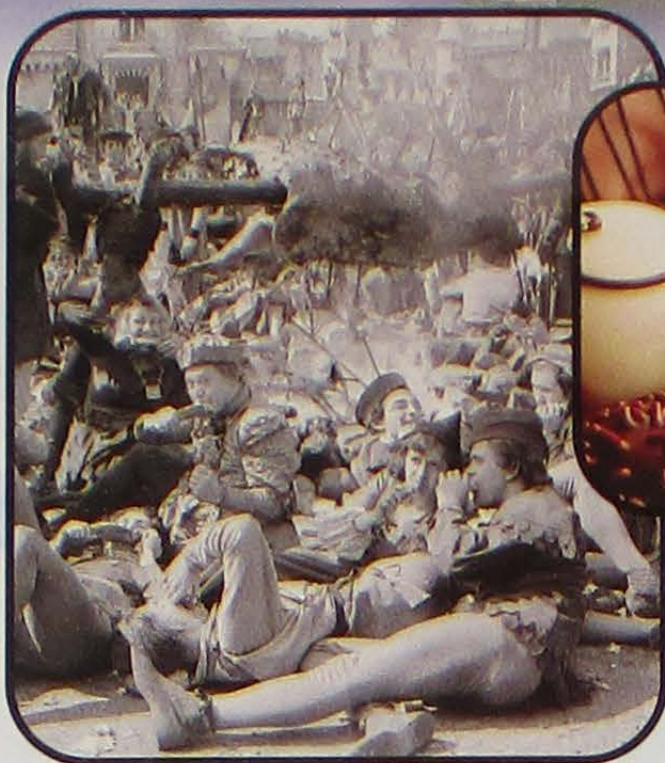
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1000 As the millennium begins, European peasant food is plain and often scarce. Feasting on meat is reserved for the wealthy. Table utensils include only a knife; most people just eat with their hands. Slabs of dense bread, called trenchers, serve as plates.

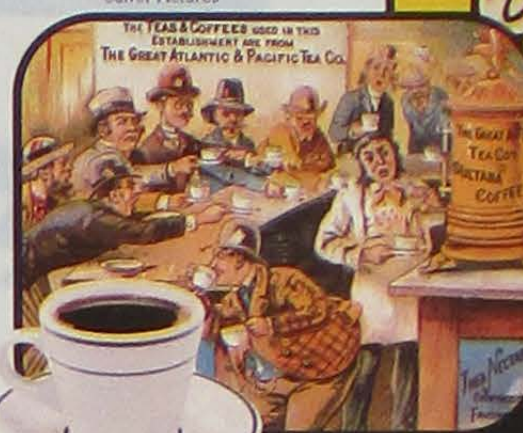
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1520 Chocolate from the New World takes Europe by storm. Brought to Spain from Mexico, chocolate is so costly that Europeans water it down for use as a drink. Natives of Mexico have prized chocolate since ancient times.

1762 John Montagu, 4th Earl of Sandwich, instructs his servants to bring him his meat between two pieces of bread. This way he can eat with one hand while continuing to play cards with the other. The term "sandwich" is born.

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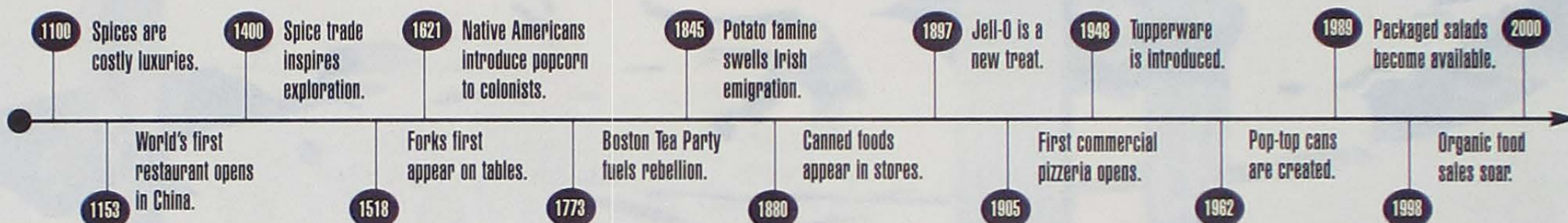


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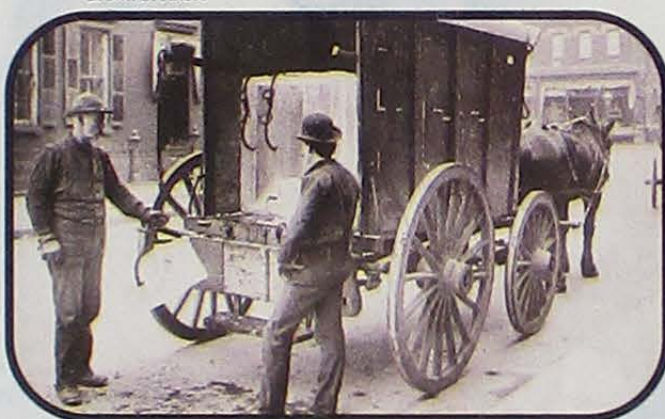
1650 Europe's first coffeehouse opens in England. By 1700, there are 2,000 coffeehouses in London alone. Early coffeehouses are important places to transact business. Lloyd's Coffeehouse evolves into Lloyd's of London, the giant insurance brokerage.



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1840 Domestic ice chests provide early refrigeration. Blocks of ice are cut, delivered to homes and sold for use in kitchen ice chests. It is the early 1930s before reliable electric home refrigerators are in common use.

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Everett Collection

1954 Swanson creates the TV dinner, sold in boxes designed to look like television sets. Frozen dinners are possible because of Clarence Birdseye's 1929 invention of early methods for freezing food.

1878 Alexander Campbell, Brooklyn, is the first to deliver milk in glass bottles. For many years the neighborhood milkman is the most common way to obtain fresh milk, before the age of supermarkets.



Lambert/Archive Photos

1932 America's first large self-service supermarket opens, followed by the invention of the grocery shopping cart in 1937. During the Depression, supermarkets become a significant part of the food distribution network.

Davis Barber/PhotoEdit



1996 Choices expand in school lunch programs. A growing number of public schools begin featuring national fast-food outlets and soft drink brands in the school lunchroom.

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Sports and Games



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1100 Archery competition is a common pastime in the Middle Ages. Archery skill is so important that English kings ban football because it takes men away from archery practice.



The Stock Market

1377 Europeans use engraved wooden blocks to print playing cards, one of the first uses of printing in Europe. Playing cards come to Europe from the Middle East during the Crusades.

1552 Golf is a popular sport in Scotland. In 1552, Saint Andrews is a favorite place for golfing. Mary, Queen of Scots is reportedly the first woman golfer and helps spread golf's popularity in Europe.



Mary Evans Picture Library

1609 Soccer is first played in America, using a sheep's bladder as a ball. As the millennium closes, millions of American youth play in organized soccer leagues. In 1999, the U.S. women's soccer team wins the World Cup.



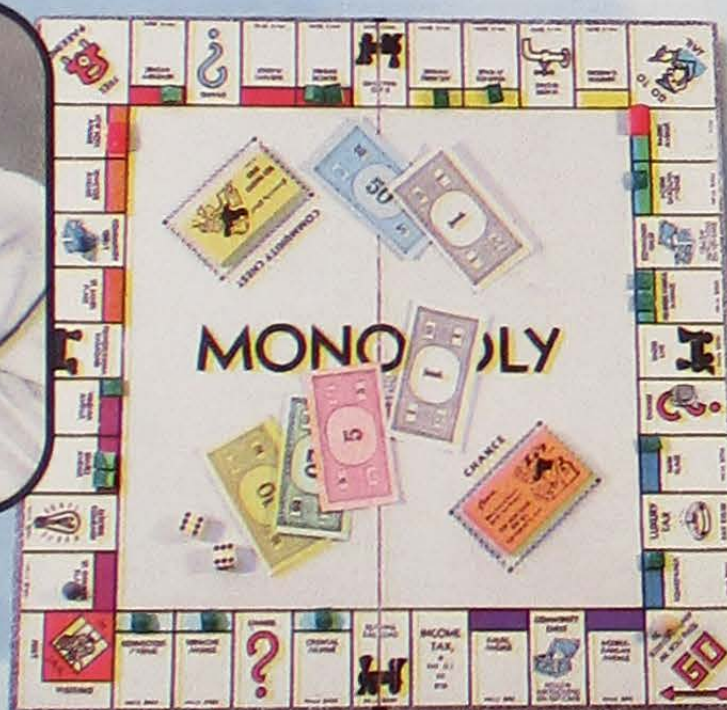
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1846 Baseball is first played as an organized sport at Hoboken, N.J., when the New York Club defeats the Knickerbocker Baseball Club on June 19. More than 100 years later, Jackie Robinson breaks the color barrier in major league baseball in 1947.



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1932 Parker Brothers introduces Monopoly, which becomes one of the world's most successful board games. By the late 1990s, the popular game is available on interactive CD.



Tony Esparza/CBS/Entertainment Communications

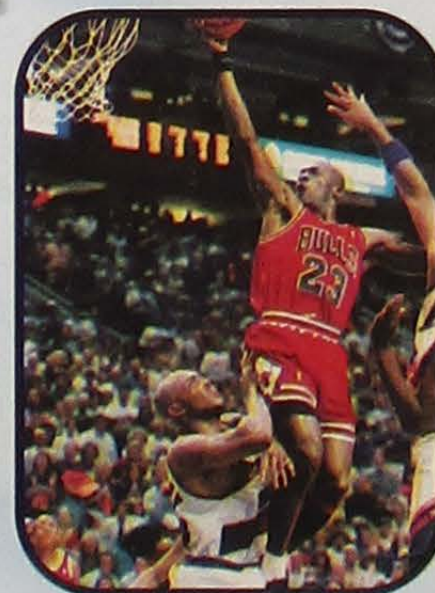
1959 Game shows become widely popular TV fare in the 1950s. One of the top 10 shows of 1959, NBC's "The Price Is Right," still draws large audiences in 1999 on CBS, where it is the longest-running game show in television history.



Reuters/Kimimasa Mayama/Archive Photos

1996 Athens, Greece, hosts the first modern Olympics. Winter Games are not held until 1924. At the 1998 Winter Olympics, American figure skaters Tara Lipinski and Michelle Kwan win the gold and silver medals respectively, and China's Lu Chen wins the bronze.

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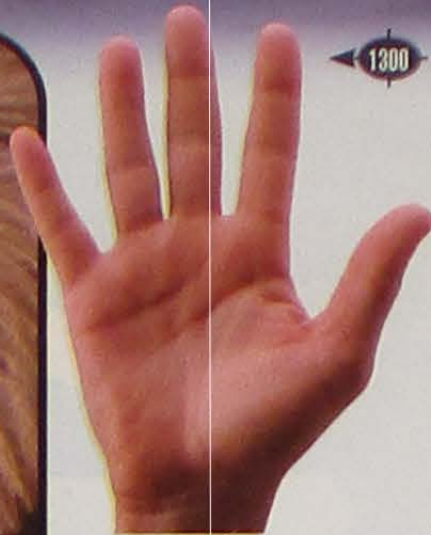
1999 Michael Jordan, considered by many to be basketball's greatest player, retires from the NBA. His talents lead the Chicago Bulls to six NBA championships in the 1990s.

Communication



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1000 Literacy is reserved for the clergy and a few students. Monks and scribes laboriously copy books by hand using goose-quill pens. Books are such rare treasures that in some libraries they are chained to the shelf.



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1300 Sign language is a means of communication for some early cultures. It bridges language differences between societies and eventually evolves into a formal alphabet for communication by the hearing impaired.

1455 Johann Gutenberg invents a way to mass-produce the written word. He devises the first Western movable-type system and a new kind of printing press. Gutenberg's inventions speed the spread of knowledge and literacy.

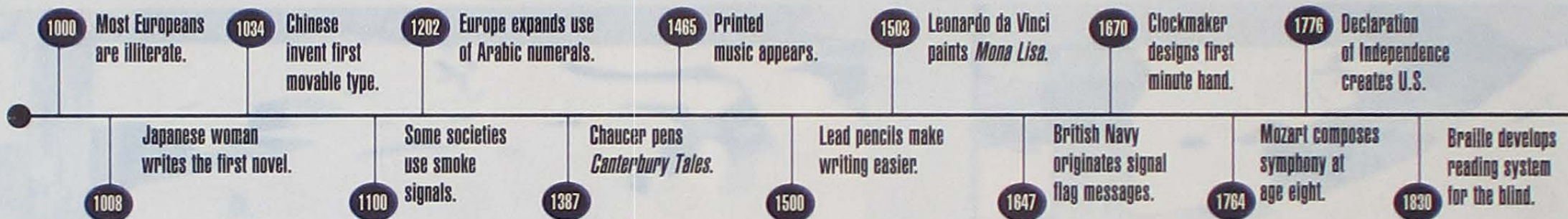


Davis Barber/Culver Pictures

1594 William Shakespeare's "Romeo and Juliet" is first performed. London's Globe Theater opens in 1599, where many of his plays are staged. By 1600, the great playwright pens at least 20 plays.



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1609 The first regularly printed newspaper is a four-page weekly publication, the *Relation*, printed in Germany. It is 1702 before the first daily newspaper appears, *The Daily Courant* of London.

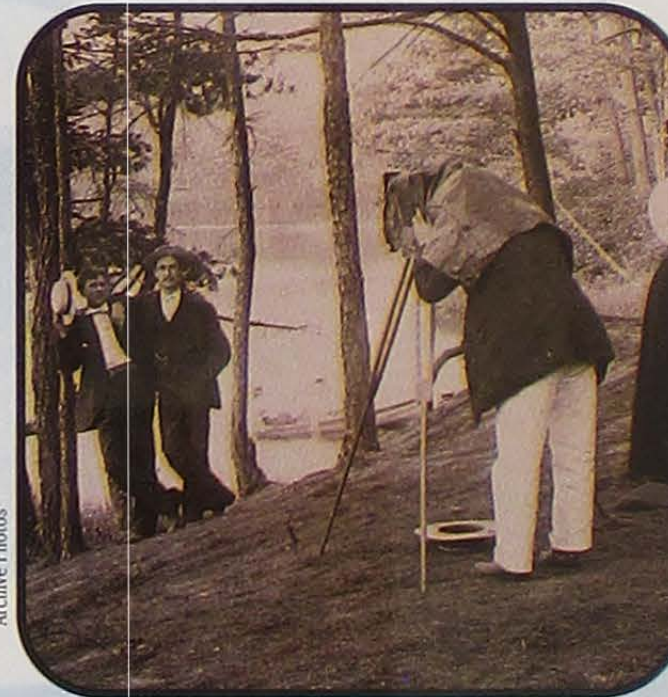


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Grainger Collection

1775 One if by land, two if by sea. Lanterns signal the advance of British troops, and Paul Revere rides to warn American colonists of the attack. His famous ride also signals the beginning of the American Revolution.



Archive Photos

1826 Frenchman Nicéphore Niépce creates the first permanent photograph. His partner, Louis Daguerre, carries Niépce's work further by inventing a process of capturing images on metal plates.

1836 Instant long-distance communication is possible. Samuel Morse invents the telegraph and a dot-dash code to carry messages over a wire. In 1851, Hiram Sibley founds Western Union Telegraph Company.



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Culver Pictures

1867 American Christopher Sholes invents the typewriter. To keep rapid typists from jamming the keys, Sholes designs the keyboard so that frequently combined letters are located far apart. This layout lasts into the computer age.



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1869 Austria introduces the first postcards. For only pennies, postcards keep people in touch before telephones are common. Calling cards, commercial valentines and other printed personal greetings are popular customs.



1879 Inventor Thomas Edison patents a practical electric light bulb. Electric lights have a profound effect on society, increasing opportunities for reading, writing, socializing and working.

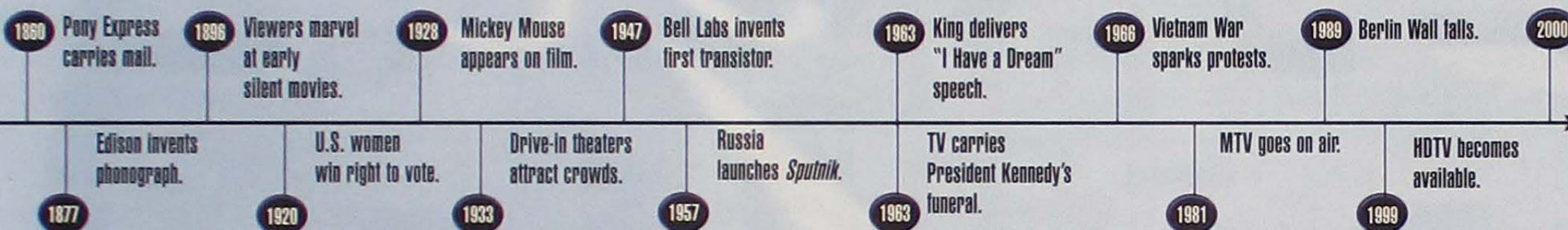


1876 Alexander Graham Bell patents the telephone. By the end of the millennium, missing a phone call is almost impossible as answering machines take instant messages. Cell phones, beepers and voice mail expand communication options.

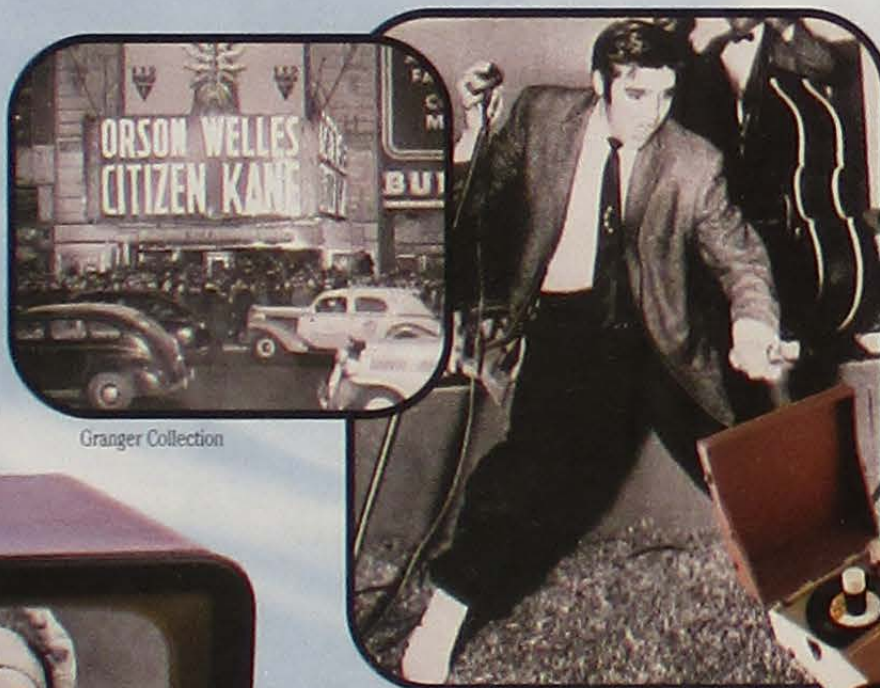
1895 Guglielmo Marconi invents the radio, providing a way for sound to travel long distances without the use of wires. During the 1920s and 1930s, radio is the primary source of news and family entertainment for most Americans.



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1939 Movie making experiences a "golden age" in the late 1930s and early 1940s. In 1939, *Gone With the Wind* and *The Wizard of Oz* premiere. *Citizen Kane* follows in 1941, and *Casablanca* in 1942. Studio giants are MGM, Paramount, RKO and Warner Brothers.



Granger Collection

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C/B Production/Stock Market

1978 Personal computers become available to the mass market, thus paving the way for desktop publishing. By 1990, laptop notebook computers allow people to compute from almost anywhere.



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1956 Elvis Presley's unique blend of blues, country, rock and gospel draws adoring fans and makes him "the King" of rock and roll. In 1956, his debut album becomes the first in history to sell a million copies.



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1945 Television is invented in 1926, and regular network TV broadcasts begin after World War II. One of TV's most popular shows is CBS's "I Love Lucy," premiering in 1951. Television transforms almost every aspect of life in the twentieth century.

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1997 Millions of people worldwide cruise the Information Highway via the Internet, and instantaneous e-mail communication becomes common. As the millennium ends, computer, TV, video and telephone technologies begin to converge.

Fashion



Jon Gardey/ABC/Everett Collection

1100 Medieval knights wear a short wool tunic and a coat of chain mail. Gauntlets (heavy leather gloves) and sword complete the attire, which is so costly only wealthy men can afford to be knights.



Disney/Shooting Star

1278 Crusaders return from the Middle East with new ideas, including that of the glass mirror. In 1278, the glass mirror is produced in Venice, Italy, and Europeans see themselves clearly for the first time.



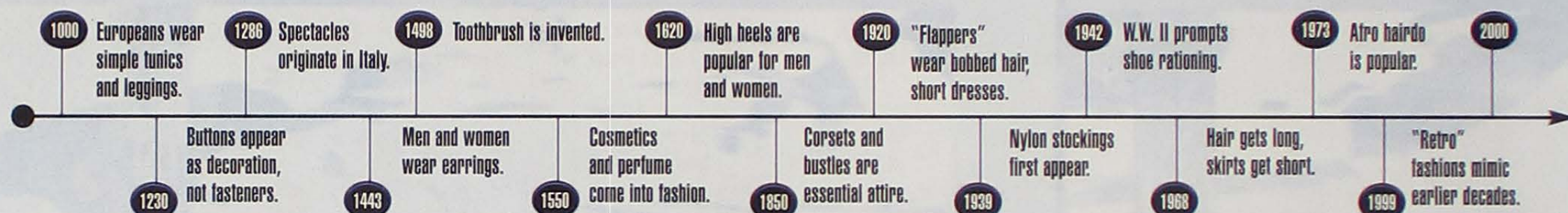
Archive Photos

1300 Medieval men's shoes have long, pointed toes. Individuals of higher social status are allowed to have longer points on their shoes, some as long as 18 inches. Moss stuffed into the toe maintains its shape.

1558 Queen Elizabeth is the fashion trendsetter, popularizing the wide skirt, jeweled wig, high bald forehead, and decorative ruff around the neck. She is rumored to have 3,000 dresses.



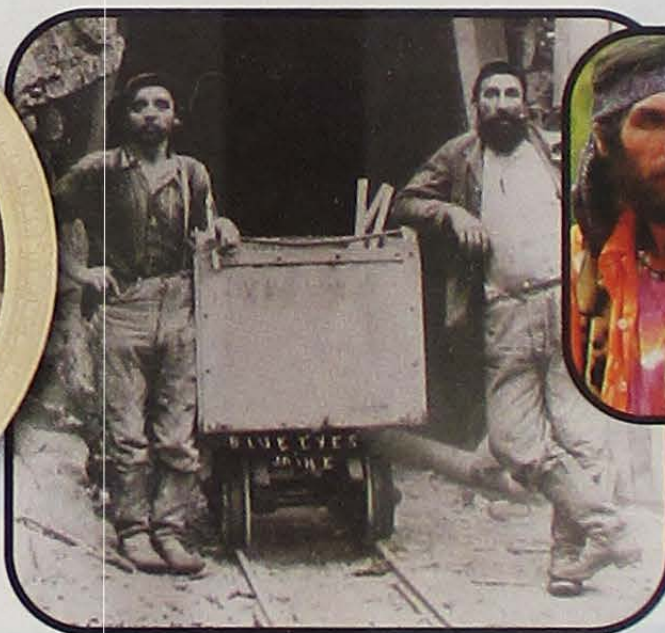
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1670 Men and women wear elaborate powdered wigs made of human hair, horsehair and goat hair. Because the large wigs are heavy and hot, some people shave their heads and wear a cloth cap under the wig to absorb perspiration.

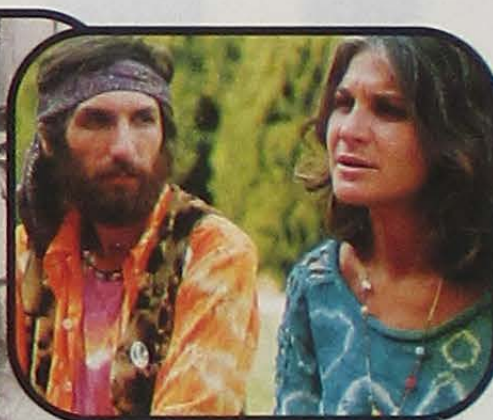


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Levi Strauss & Company Archives

1855 Young Levi Strauss comes to America in the 1850s and makes riveted canvas work pants for California gold miners. When he switches from canvas to blue denim, Strauss unknowingly creates one of America's greatest contributions to fashion.



Henry Diltz/Corbis

1968 With flowers in their hair and everywhere, hippies express their philosophy of world peace and love. Hippies favor bell-bottom jeans, granny dresses, bare feet, long hair, beads, headbands and bright colors.



Susan Meller, Textile Designs, vol. 1

Granger Collection

1800 The Industrial Revolution brings mass-produced textiles, standard clothing sizes and the first ready-to-wear garments. In 1851, Isaac Singer invents the home-use sewing machine.



Kunio Onaka/Stock Market

1992 Indoor malls are popular with teens not only for shopping, but also for socializing. The first enclosed mall is built in 1956. In 1992, the Mall of America, the largest mall in the U.S., opens in Minnesota.

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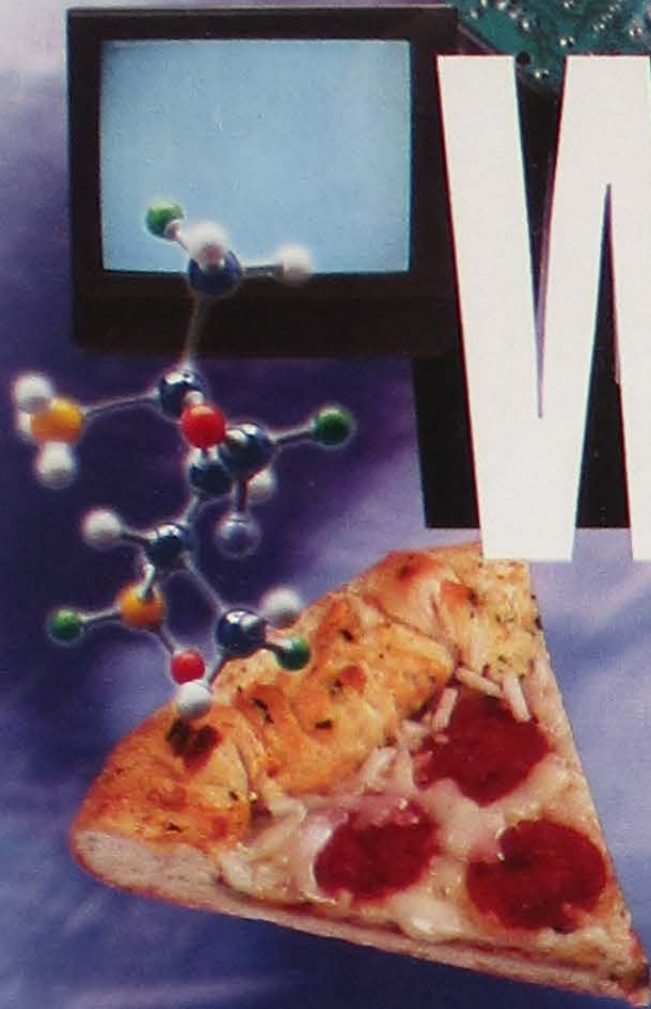
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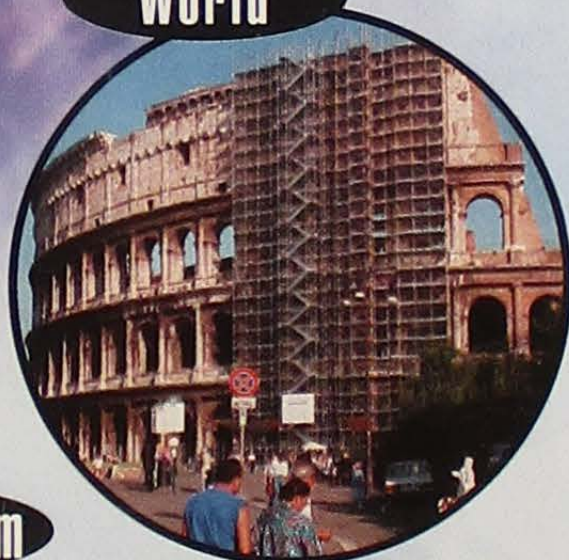
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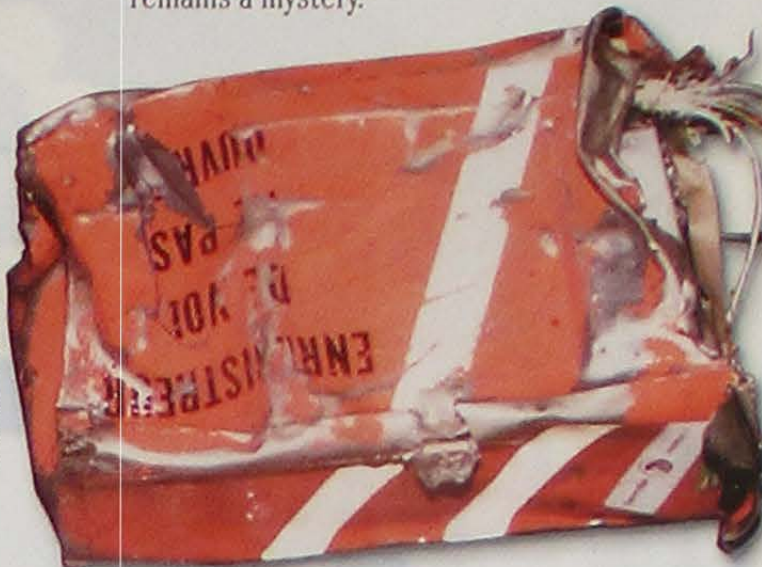
World News



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As part of Rome's continuing restoration, the city unveils a plan to create an 18,000-square-yard rambling space connecting the Imperial Forums with the Roman Forum.

EgyptAir Flight 990 crashes into the Atlantic Ocean on October 31, killing all 217 people on board. Although suspicious actions of a pilot are under scrutiny by American and Egyptian officials, the cause of the crash remains a mystery.



Reuters/STR/Archive Photos

On October 12, the world's official population hits 6 billion. The designated 6 billionth human is a baby boy born in Sarajevo.



AP/Wide World Photos

In September, more than 300,000 Japanese are checked for radiation exposure after an inadvertent nuclear reaction at a uranium processing plant.



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Nearly a million ethnic Albanians flee Yugoslavia and thousands are killed after Serbs begin a violent ethnic cleansing campaign in 1998. Seventy-eight days of NATO bombing bring the war to an end in June. An international tribunal later charges Yugoslav President Slobodan Milosevic with crimes against humanity.

In an October coup, the Pakistani army dismisses elected Prime Minister Nawaz Sharif and his government after Sharif announces the removal of his powerful military chief, General Pervez Musharraf.



AP/Wide World Photos

Flash

Britain's Prince Edward marries longtime girlfriend Sophie Rhys-Jones on June 19.

Cuban Elian Gonzalez, 6, becomes the center of a bitter citizenship debate after surviving a November boat wreck off the Florida coast in which his mother dies.



AP/Wide World Photos

In a violent October coup, gunmen storm the Armenian Parliament and assassinate Prime Minister Vazgen Sarkisian and six other top officials.



AP/Wide World Photos

In India, two trains collide head-on in August, killing 285 people and injuring more than 300. It is one of the worst train disasters in the country's history.

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In June, Thabo Mbeki succeeds President Nelson Mandela, South Africa's first democratically elected president.



Liaison Agency

Leonardo da Vinci's "The Last Supper" is unveiled in June after 21 years of restoration. The centimeter-by-centimeter rehabilitation cost \$7.7 million and involved electronic microscopes.



AP/Wide World Photos/Robert King

In September, Russia begins a military campaign against Chechen nationalists to regain control of the breakaway republic. More than 200,000 people flee the region, but a fierce rebel resistance stays to fight for control of the capital, Grozny.



AP/Wide World Photos/Cheng Chieh-wen



Pierre Vauthier/Corbis Sygma

After almost nine years in power, Russian President Boris Yeltsin announces his resignation in January 2000. Yeltsin names Prime Minister Vladimir Putin acting president pending elections in March.

In September and October, powerful earthquakes strike around the globe, killing 15,000 people in Turkey, 1,450 in Taiwan and at least 122 in Greece.



Kenneth Garrett/NGS Image Collection

Archaeologists excavate 105 mummies in a 2,000-year-old underground Egyptian tomb believed to contain a total of 10,000 mummies. The necropolis will shed new light on the Greco-Roman era and will allow scholars to chart demographic data and the incidence of disease.

Flash

A tropical depression producing heavy rain hits Mexico in November. The resulting floods kill more than 350 people and cause 100,000 to evacuate.

In August, the U.S. pays \$4.5 million to victims of NATO's accidental bombing of the Chinese embassy in Belgrade. Three Chinese are killed and 27 are wounded in the May 1999 bombing.



AP/Wide World Photos

On December 31, the U.S. returns control of the Panama Canal to Panama. Opened to the world in 1914, the canal is considered one of the greatest construction achievements in American history.



AP/Wide World Photos

In December, torrential rains cause Venezuela's worst natural disaster of the century. Mudslides and flash floods kill up to 30,000 people, while damage estimates run into the billions of dollars.

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National News



Reuters/Mike Segar/Archive Photos

In July, John F. Kennedy Jr., 38, his wife, Carolyn Bessette Kennedy, 33, and her sister, Lauren Bessette, 34, die in an airplane crash in the Atlantic Ocean near Martha's Vineyard. Kennedy, a relatively inexperienced pilot, is believed to have become disoriented in heavy fog.



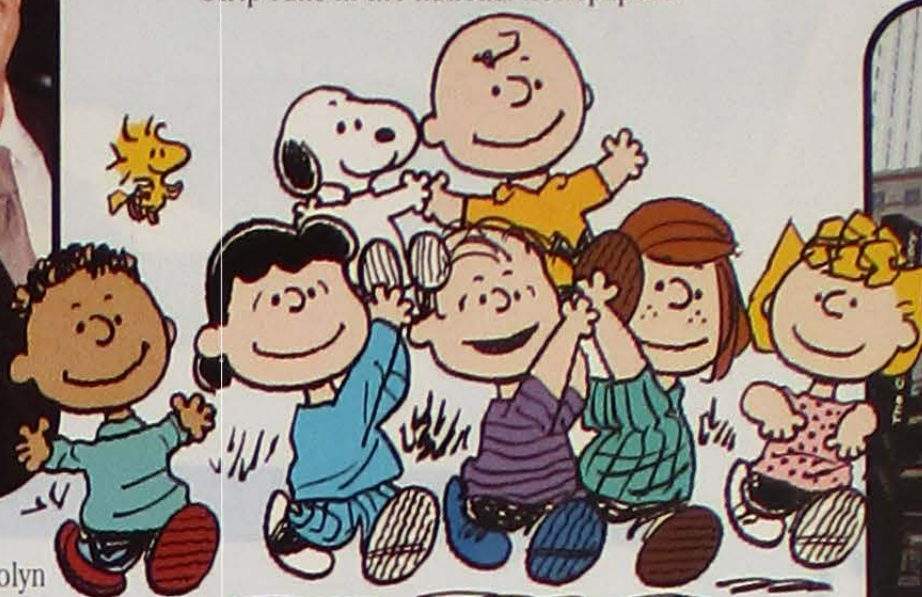
Hurricane Floyd strikes the East Coast in September, killing 51 people and destroying over 4,000 homes. North Carolina is hardest hit with total damages estimated at a record \$6 billion.



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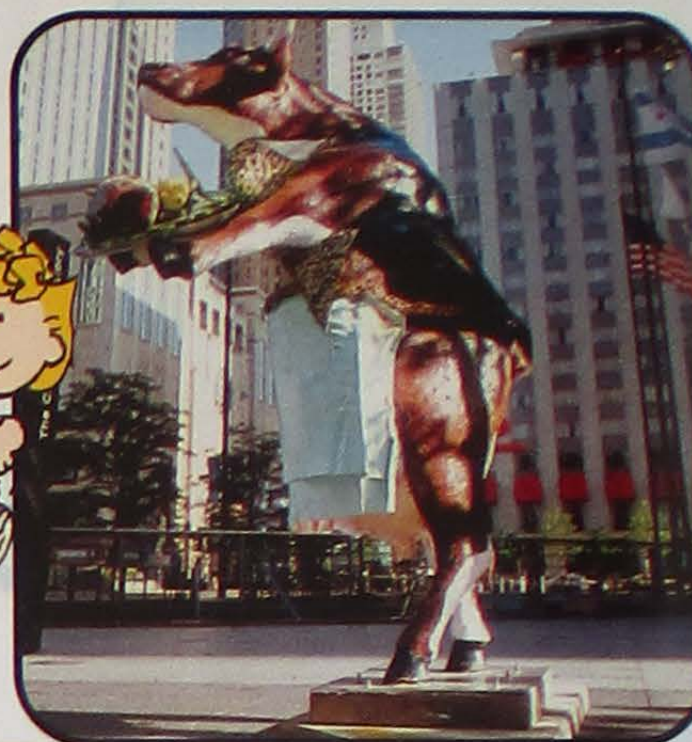
Cartoonist Charles M. Schulz retires in January 2000, bringing an end to PEANUTS, America's most popular comic strip for almost 50 years. Schulz dies in February, the night before his last strip runs in the national newspapers.



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As a way to boost tourism, Chicago displays 301 life-size, fiberglass cows decorated by local artists. The public art exhibit lasts all summer until the cows are auctioned for charity.



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The drought of 1999 causes severe damage to Northeastern and mid-Atlantic farms. Several states impose mandatory water use restrictions and emergency federal loans are made available in Maryland, Pennsylvania, Kentucky, Ohio, Virginia and West Virginia.



Lewis and Clark's Native American guide Sacagawea is featured on a new gold-colored dollar coin released into circulation in early 2000.



Beginning in 1999, the U.S. Mint releases specially designed state quarters, the first five representing Connecticut, Georgia, Delaware, Pennsylvania and New Jersey. By 2008, each state will have its own quarter.



Flash

In August, a rare tornado strikes downtown Salt Lake City. Winds up to 112 miles per hour make it Utah's second-worst tornado in history.

In July, Air Force Colonel Eileen Collins, 42, becomes the first woman to command a U.S. space shuttle mission.



AP/Wide World Photos

President Clinton announces the removal of the American bald eagle from the endangered species list. In 1999, there are over 5,800 breeding pairs, an increase from 417 in 1963.

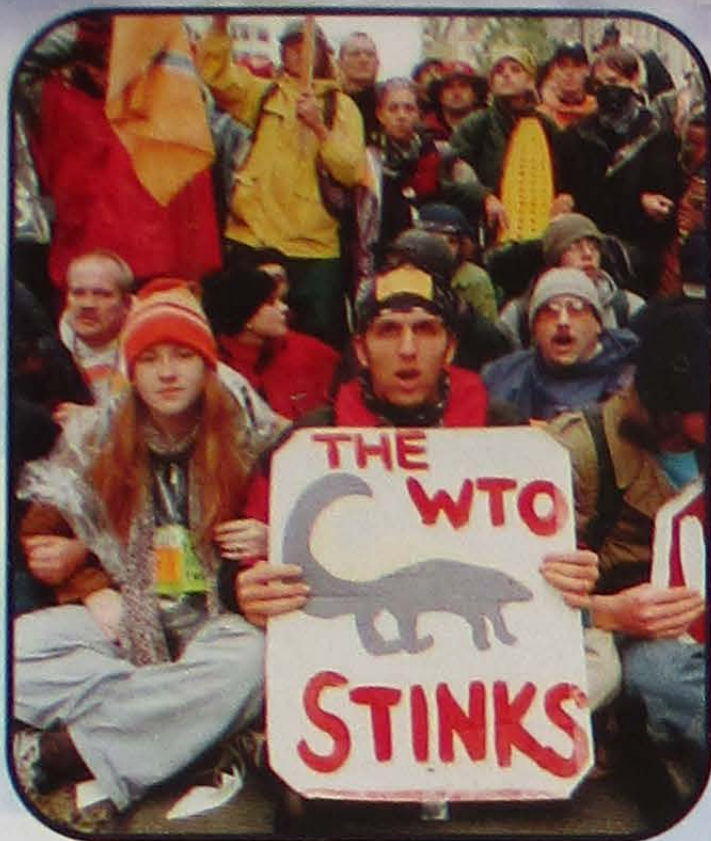


Dave McDermott/Bryan-College Station Eagle/Corbis Sygma



In November, a 60-foot log tower collapses at Texas A&M University, killing 12 students and injuring 27. The tower was to be burned at a traditional bonfire pep rally.

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In November, protesters at the World Trade Organization (WTO) summit in Seattle provoke a show of force by local, state and federal officers. Protesters blame the WTO for eroding human rights and labor and environmental standards.



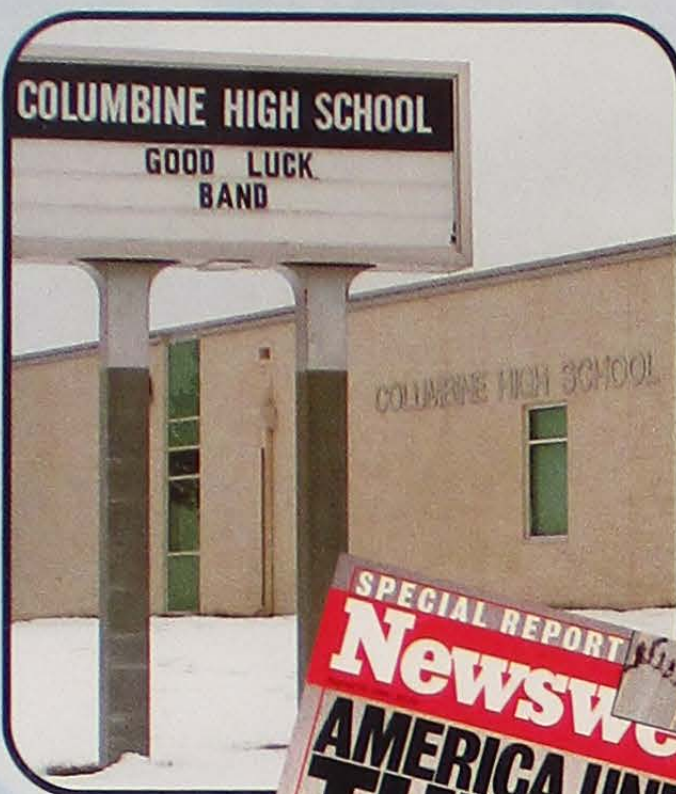
Ron Garrison, San Diego Zoo/Reuters/Archive Photos

In August, a female panda is born at the San Diego Zoo. Hua Mei, which can mean "China USA" or "Splendid Beauty," is the first panda born in the Western Hemisphere in nearly a decade.

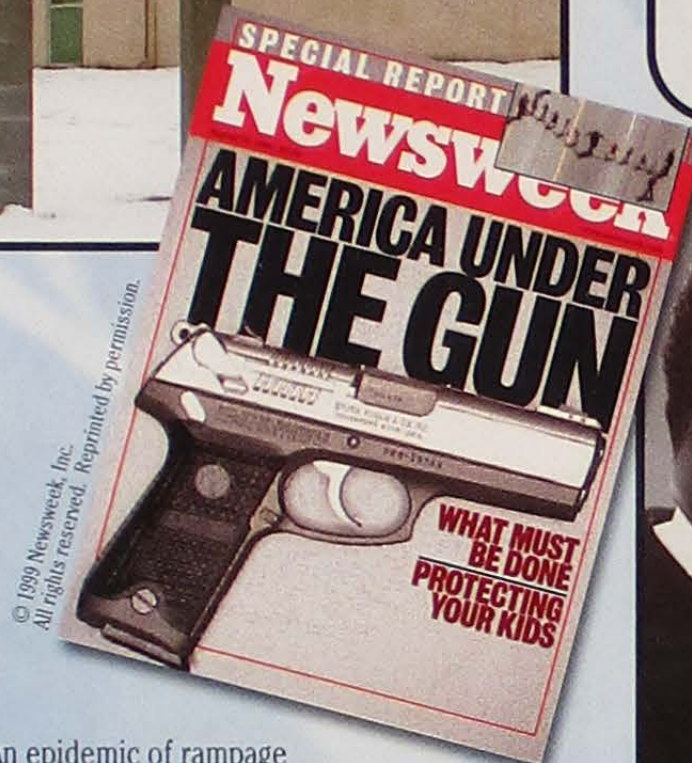


A bumper sticker invites drivers to call a toll-free number to report reckless driving. Officials hope the system will help parents stay informed about their teenagers' driving habits.

On April 20, 1999, the nation mourns after two students go on a shooting rampage at Columbine High School in Colorado, wounding 23 and killing 15, including themselves. Schools across the country take extensive security measures to ensure the safety of students and staff.



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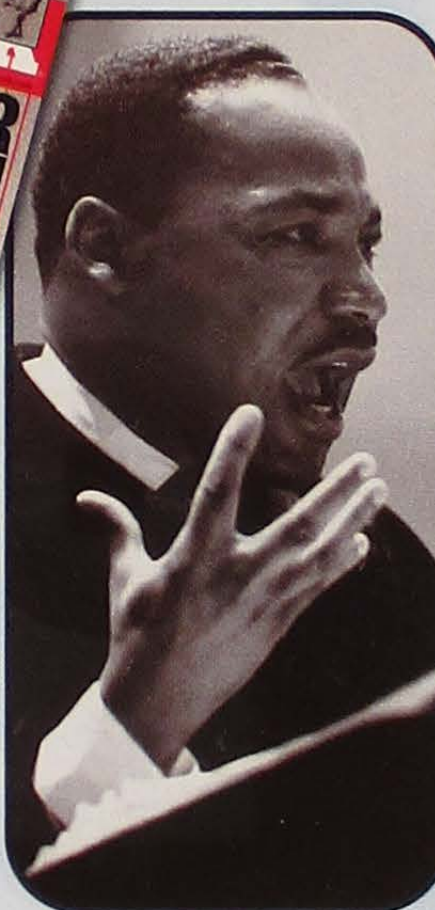
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An epidemic of rampage shootings intensifies America's growing concern over gun control. Many state legislatures pass new gun-control measures despite nationwide controversy over restrictions vs. Second Amendment rights.

In an effort to ease the burden on the traditional courts, most states now offer teen court for juvenile offenders. After determining guilt, a jury of teens along with a judge decides the sentence, typically community service and financial restitution.



Timothy C. Sharp



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Despite 30 years of official denial, in December a jury finds the assassination of Reverend Martin Luther King Jr. was the result of a conspiracy, not the act of a lone gunman.

Flash

In the first such admission by a cigarette manufacturer, Philip Morris publicly concedes tobacco is addictive and can cause serious diseases.

Hillary Clinton announces her candidacy for a U.S. Senate seat from New York. As law requires, Clinton establishes New York residency in suburban Chappaqua.



Reuters/Jeff Christensen/Archive Photos

In September, Microsoft Corp. Chairman Bill Gates and his wife Melinda announce the creation of the Gates Millennium Scholars Program. The Gateses will donate \$1 billion over the next 20 years to finance scholarships for minority college students.

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Science News

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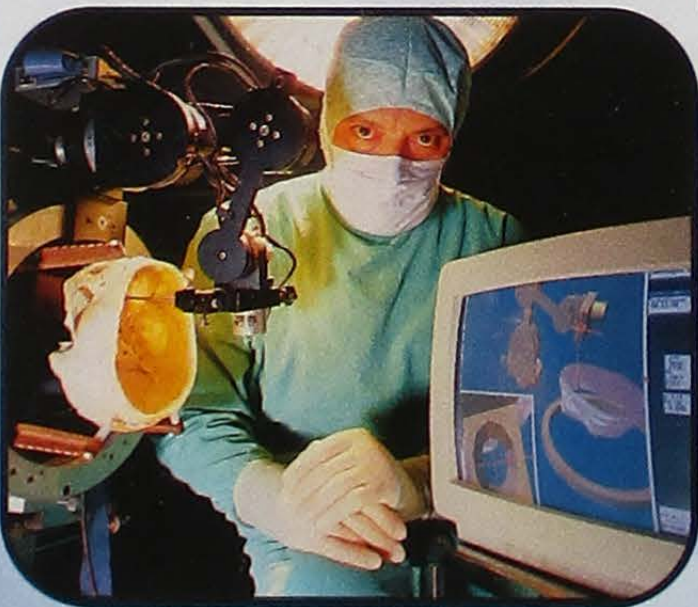
In August, NASA releases photos from the Chandra X-ray orbiting telescope of a hot cloud of gas from a star that exploded more than three centuries ago. The telescope took 23 years and \$1 billion to develop.

Courtesy of Dallas Semiconductor



The Java Ring contains a computer chip providing electronic access into buildings for students. Eventually the ring could be used as a library card, digital wallet, electronic ID and authentication for students' online homework.

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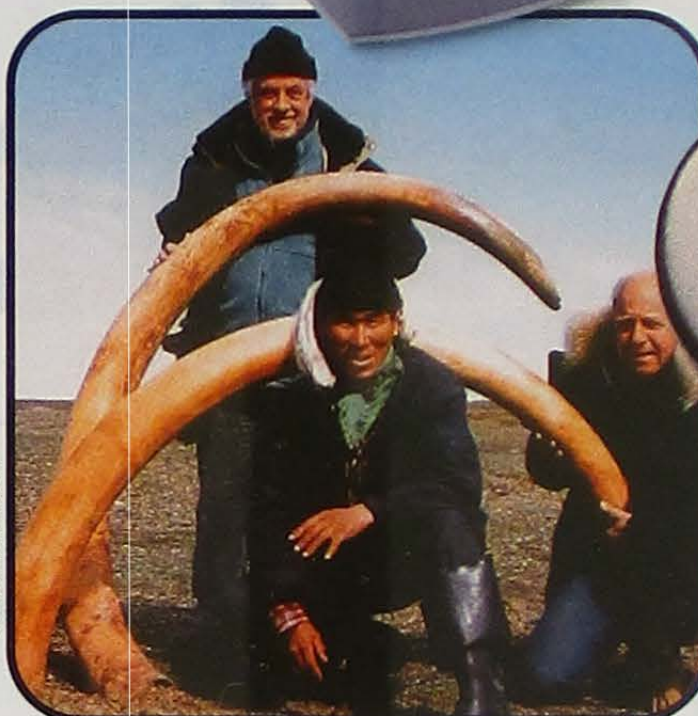


In August, U.S. surgeons begin using computer-enhanced robotic technology for heart bypass surgery. Because the chest cavity is never opened, this technique reduces pain and shortens recovery time.

FEELit technology allows users to experience computer technology through their mouse. Users can "feel" buttons, text, the weight of a stuffed desktop folder and the groove of a scroll bar.



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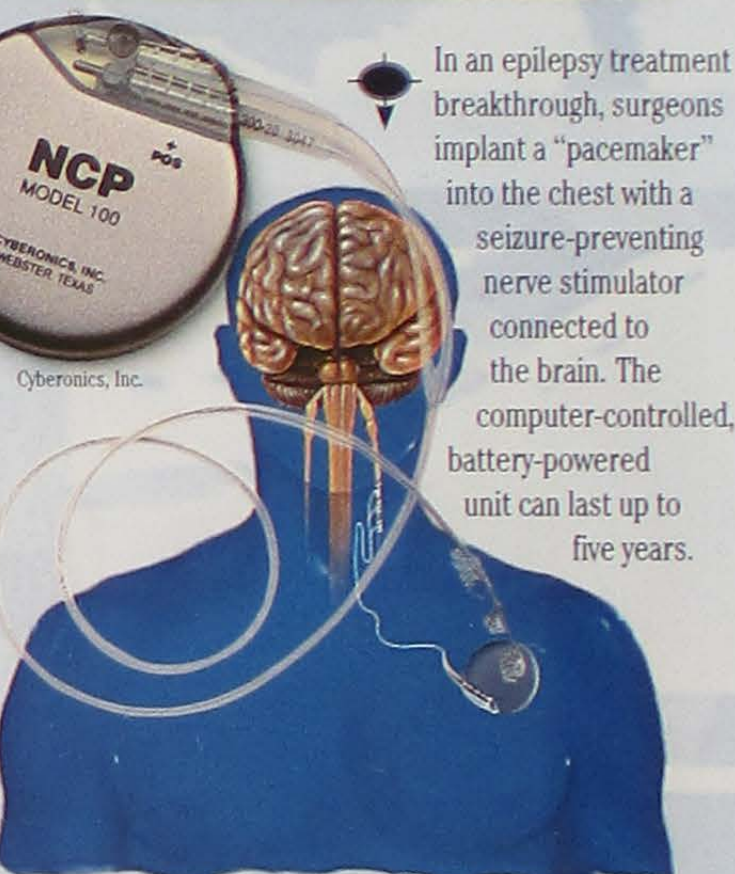


The body of a 23,000-year-old woolly mammoth is discovered in October frozen in the Russian tundra. Study of the preserved fur, organs and soft tissue could unlock the mystery of why the species died out.

Fifteen-year-old Amber Ramirez undergoes surgery in which half of her brain is removed to stop the spread of a rare neurological disease. Doctors hope the remaining portion of Ramirez's brain will compensate for the removed tissue.



Lincoln Journal Star



In an epilepsy treatment breakthrough, surgeons implant a "pacemaker" into the chest with a seizure-preventing nerve stimulator connected to the brain. The computer-controlled, battery-powered unit can last up to five years.

Cyberonics, Inc.

Flash

Researchers announce in July the creation of a cancerous human cell by genetically altering a normal one. This significant breakthrough is an important step toward developing drugs that could potentially wipe out cancer.

In December, IBM announces a \$100 million research initiative to build a supercomputer 500 times more powerful than current models.



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On August 11, the last total solar eclipse of the millennium crosses the globe. Thousands of people from Canada to India experience daytime darkness during which the moon completely covers the sun.

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Parents, with help from their doctor, select the gender of their baby using a technique called MicroSort, which separates X-bearing (female-determining) and Y-bearing (male-determining) sperm. The success rate is about 92 percent for females and 69 percent for males.

Boeing Media



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Researchers at Massachusetts General Hospital reveal in July that they have successfully regenerated the central nervous system of lab rats with severed spinal cords. Applications for human paralysis treatment are very encouraging.



A new board game, Infection, hits stores in July. Fun and educational, players race around the board catching diseases, described in detail, and trying to be cured.

In October, Sea Launch Company, a multi-national consortium, launches the first commercial satellite into space from a floating platform in the Pacific Ocean. Boeing is a major partner in the venture, along with companies in Russia, Ukraine and Norway.

The jawbones of two kangaroo-sized dinosaurs are discovered in Madagascar in October. Dated to the early Triassic period, 230 million years ago, the bones could be the oldest dinosaur fossils ever found.



Reuters/Scott Olson/Archive Photos

In October, biologists isolate one of the enzymes that sets Alzheimer's disease in motion. This scientific discovery will lead to new treatments and, possibly, a cure. Over 4 million Americans, including former President Ronald Reagan, are living with the disease.

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Researchers report they have successfully altered the learning and memory behavior of mice by inserting a gene into their brains. This genetic-engineering breakthrough may be helpful in treating human learning disorders and Alzheimer's disease.

Flash

In June, scientists announce the creation of two new elements. The nucleus of new, super-heavy element 118 decays into element 116 within a millisecond.

Scientists studying Albert Einstein's preserved brain report it has unique characteristics. The region governing mathematical ability and spatial reasoning is significantly larger than normal.



AP/Wide World Photos

To mark the 30th anniversary of the first moon landing, astronaut Neil Armstrong's lunar footprint is featured on a 1999 postage stamp.

2000

Lifestyle News



Cosmetic companies increasingly use entertainment celebrities instead of models for their advertisements. Sarah Michelle Gellar, Jennifer Love Hewitt, Jennifer Lopez and Shania Twain are among the celebs who appear in ads.

With the huge increase in cell phones, many cities enact laws restricting their use while driving. Restaurants and theaters are also requiring patrons to turn phones off as a courtesy to others.



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The fashion accessory of 1999 goes by many names — power beads, mood beads and prayer beads. Many sellers claim the beads boost tranquility, energy, creativity and intelligence.



Airlines begin installing elaborate in-flight entertainment systems that allow passengers to watch movies, play computer games, listen to music, read headlines or browse the Internet.



In August, a Levi Strauss & Co. megastore opens in San Francisco. The store features a hot tub where shoppers can soak in their jeans for the perfect fit and a computer-scanning system to help customers get the right size.

A continuation of the cargo pants trend, messenger bags with pockets galore hang at the hips of teens everywhere.



Apple Computer introduces its new iBook laptop in September. The super-slim, neon-colored units follow the highly successful launch of the translucent iMac desktop.

Flash

In December, Honda introduces Insight, a car that combines a conventional gasoline engine with a small electric motor, decreases ozone and carbon dioxide emissions and gets 80 mpg.

Several companies offer "digital wallets" for teens who want to shop online but don't have credit cards. Parents deposit money into an online account; then teens can spend the money at designated Web sites.



A new line of scented candles called Aromapharmacy comes in amber glass containers and looks like prescription drug bottles with creative names such as Ritalert, Cramprin and Valiumello.

1999

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Wireless Web access becomes a reality in September when Sprint PCS announces the first nationwide wireless data service. Shortly thereafter, several other providers debut similar service for hand-held Web phones.



Globe Photos Inc./Andrea Renault

Shawls and wraps show up everywhere in the fashion world. Hollywood celebrities like Salma Hayek sport the fashion trend in all colors and fabrics.

Inline skaters can now power themselves along with the new Roller Cycle Personal Power Accelerator featuring a 1.5-hp-driven wheel. An optional spiked rubber tire for traction makes it also possible to use while cross-country skiing.



Roller Cycle



Kwame Brathwaite/POP, Inc.

A Gap TV advertisement for vests starts a trend across America that has teenagers wearing the fashionable sleeveless jackets.



Several rappers start their own clothing lines, making hip-hop wear big business. Popular artist labels include FUBU, Roc-A-Wear, Phat Farm, Wu Wear, Sean John and X-Large.



Stretchy nylon jewelry that looks like skin tattoos is a big hit in 1999. The nylon bands are worn around necks, wrists, arms and ankles, and come in several colors.

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Courtesy Magellan Corporation

Magellan, a satellite navigation system for motorists, offers complete U.S. mapping data, voice and visual instructions in seven languages, turn-by-turn directions and a library of points of interest.

Flash

Teenagers need an average of nine hours and 15 minutes of sleep a night, according to research at Brown University's Bradley Hospital. The study also shows a direct correlation between school grades and duration of sleep.

An influx of dot-com companies advertise on television. Ads during the Super Bowl sell for an average of \$2.2 million per 30-second commercial.



California Prune Board

A growing number of U.S. school cafeterias offer pruneburgers, a healthy low-fat combination of hamburger and prune puree. Other prune items in the works include hot dogs, pizza sauce, barbecue sauce and gingerbread cookies.

2000

Entertainment News



PhotoFest

➤ *The Sixth Sense* with Bruce Willis and Haley Joel Osment is the No. 1 box office hit for five consecutive weekends in the summer.



➤ Video game fans snap up a record 15,000 copies of Sega's highly anticipated Dreamcast system in the first 24 hours after its launch in September.



Sega

➤ ABC's summer fill-in quiz show "Who Wants to Be a Millionaire," with host Regis Philbin, returns in November and is a huge hit with viewers. By January 2000, several major networks launch quiz shows of their own.



Marie Mello/ABC

➤ After 19 nominations, Susan Lucci finally wins an Emmy Award for best actress in a daytime drama series for her role as Erica Kane on the ABC soap opera "All My Children."



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➤ *The Blair Witch Project*, the year's surprise movie hit, is the documentary-style footage of three students lost in the Maryland woods and threatened by the presumed Blair Witch. The film costs \$100,000 to make and grosses \$140 million.

➤ Launched in January 1999, MTV's "The Tom Green Show" becomes one of the season's most popular shows. The Canadian host's bizarre man-on-the-street pranks are the show's main attraction.



Andrew Brusso/Corbis Outline

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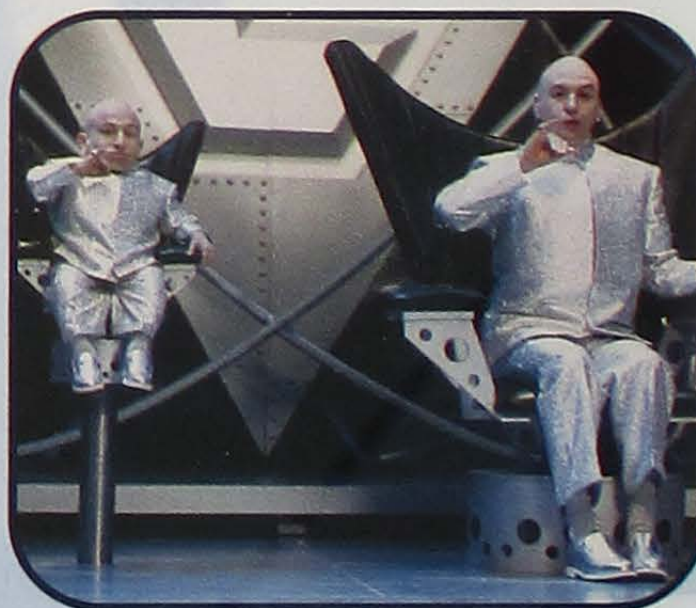
Tom Hanks and Tim Allen return as the voices of Woody and Buzz Lightyear in the animated feature *Toy Story 2*. The sequel breaks box-office records during its Thanksgiving release and wins a Golden Globe award.

In a botched stunt, WWF wrestler Owen Hart falls from the rafters at Kemper Arena and dies in front of 16,300 fans.



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➤ Jennifer Love Hewitt leaves "Party of Five" to star in her own Fox television drama, "Time of Your Life." The show focuses on Hewitt's character trying to make it in New York while searching for her biological father.



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➤ In June, Mike Myers' sequel *Austin Powers: The Spy Who Shagged Me* proves to be a bigger hit than the 1997 original. Dr. Evil's alter ego Mini-Me is extremely popular even though he has no lines.

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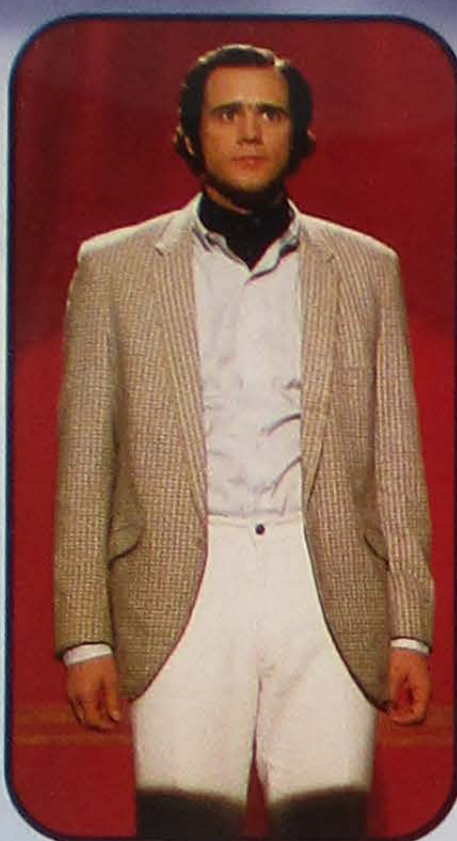


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The new arcade game Guitar Freaks features two guitar controllers and a screen to help players follow along to popular songs.

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In December, actor Jim Carrey portrays zany comedian Andy Kaufman in *Man on the Moon*. Carrey wins a Golden Globe award for his performance.



American Beauty, starring Kevin Spacey, Annette Bening and Thora Birch, captures the Golden Globe Best Drama Award. The dark satire of suburbia and family dysfunction receives a total of six Golden Globe nominations.



Photofest

Dreamworks Television



Set in 1980, the critically acclaimed NBC show "Freaks and Geeks" follows two groups of teens trying to make their way through high school.

The long-awaited prequel *Star Wars: Episode I The Phantom Menace* hits theaters in May 1999, taking in a record-breaking \$28.5 million on its opening day and going on to gross more than \$420 million.

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Medusa, the world's first floorless roller coaster, opens in August at Six Flags Great Escape in New Jersey. The 4,000-foot, toe-dangling ride has enough drops, loops, rolls and corkscrews to thrill every rider.



Six Flags Great Adventure

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Michael J. Fox announces in January 2000 he will leave the popular ABC sitcom "Spin City" at the end of the season to promote awareness of Parkinson's disease in hopes of finding a cure.

After 10 seasons, Fox cancels the hit show "Beverly Hills, 90210." The show followed characters through high school, college and careers.

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In September, the New Roc City entertainment center opens in New York. The complex includes an amusement park ride on the roof, two skating rinks, 19 movie screens, restaurants, an arcade, a health club, a supermarket and a hotel.

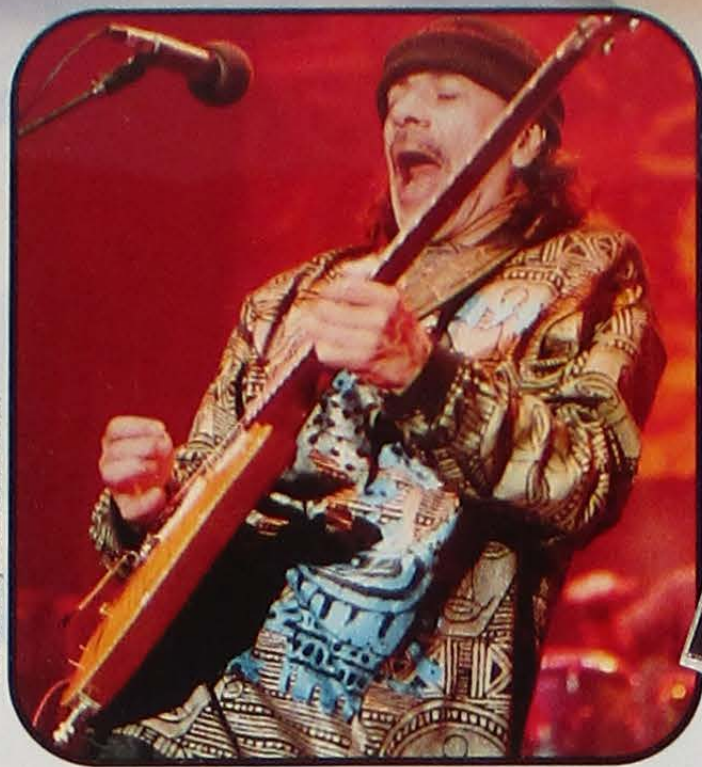


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The Talented Mr. Ripley, starring Matt Damon, Gwyneth Paltrow, Jude Law and Cate Blanchett, opens in December and earns popular and critical praise.

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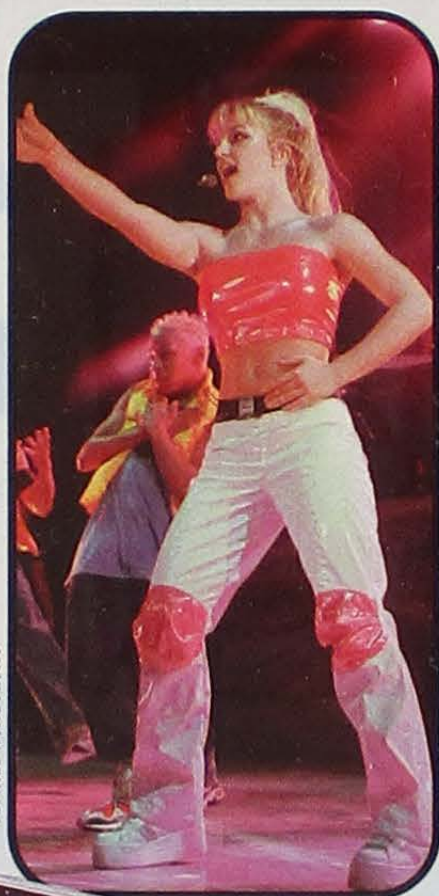


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Released in June, Santana's *Supernatural* shoots up the *Billboard* album chart, sells over 6 million copies, and earns 10 Grammy nominations.



Britney Spears' album *...Baby One More Time* is the second-best-selling album of 1999, earning Spears the *Billboard* Music Awards Female and New Artist of the Year Awards.



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Computer games feature big music stars on their soundtracks. Sheryl Crow contributes her talent to the *Tomorrow Never Dies* soundtrack, Metallica to *Hot Wheels Turbo Racing* and Naughty by Nature to *NBA Live 2000*.



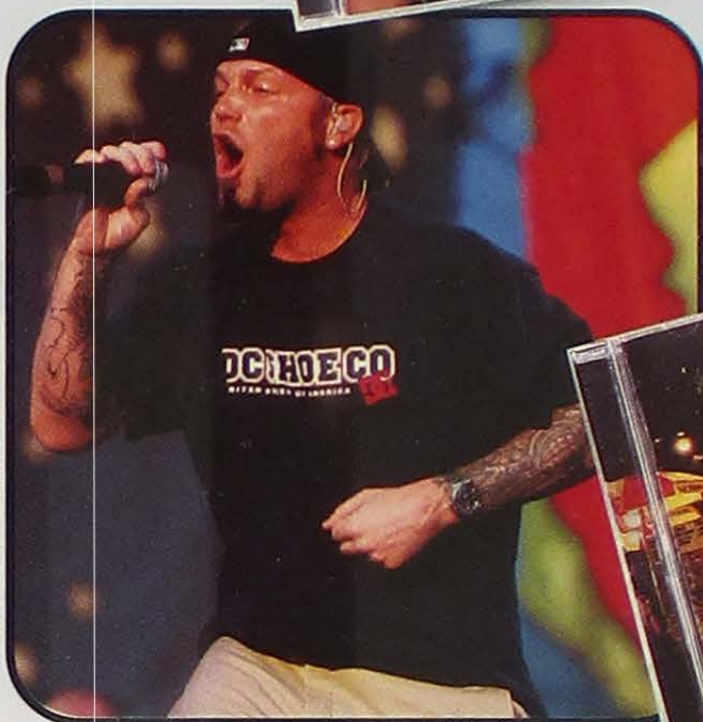
U.S. sales of music by Latin artists shoot up 48 percent in the first quarter of 1999 thanks to artists such as Ricky Martin, Jennifer Lopez, Enrique Iglesias and Marc Anthony.



Superstar Mariah Carey releases *Rainbow* in November and begins a world tour in February 2000. Carey is named *Billboard* Music Awards Artist of the Decade and is awarded the distinguished American Music Award of Achievement.



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Limp Bizkit leads the way in the resurgence of rock music, along with Kid Rock and Korn. In September, MTV showcases the trend by airing "1999: Return of the Rock," which examines the history and future of rock music.



Saturday Night Live: The Musical Performances Volumes 1 and 2 are released in September. The CDs feature 30 of the 600 musical acts that have appeared on SNL over the past 25 years.



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Sheryl Crow, Eric Clapton and the Dixie Chicks are a few musicians who rock Central Park in a first-ever trimulcast concert seen and heard on the radio, television and Internet.

More than 1 million viewers tune in each weekday to vote on their favorite videos on MTV's "Total Request Live" with host Carson Daly and popular musical guests.



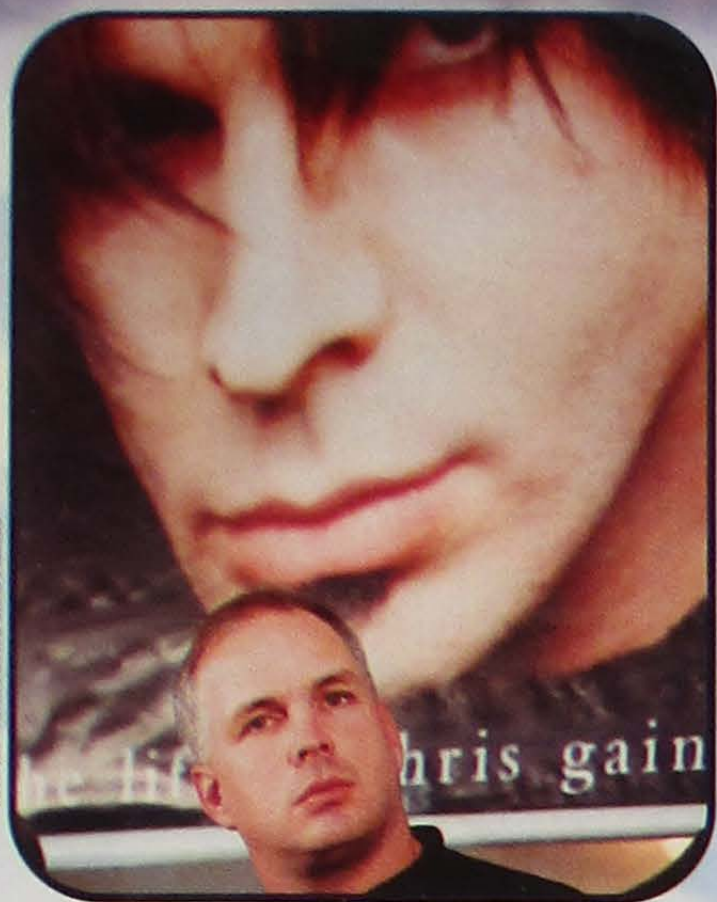
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Backstreet Boys' *Millennium* wins the *Billboard* Music Awards Album of the Year and becomes the best-selling album of the year with over 10 million copies sold.

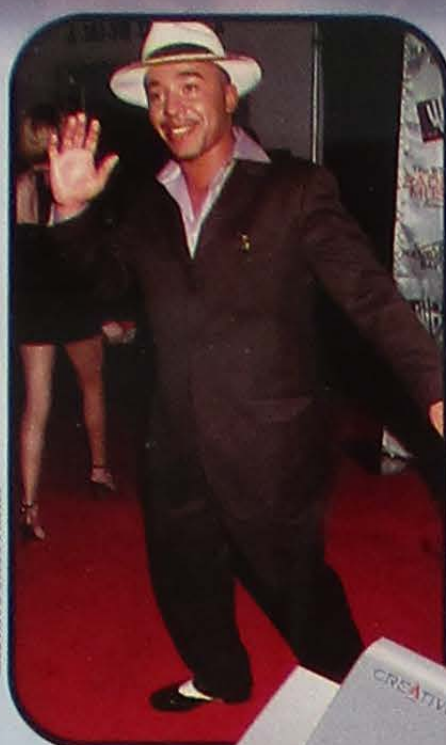
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In a strange twist, Garth Brooks releases the album *The Life of Chris Gaines* in which he pretends to be a fictional rock star. Gaines will be the main character in a movie called *The Lamb*, currently in development.

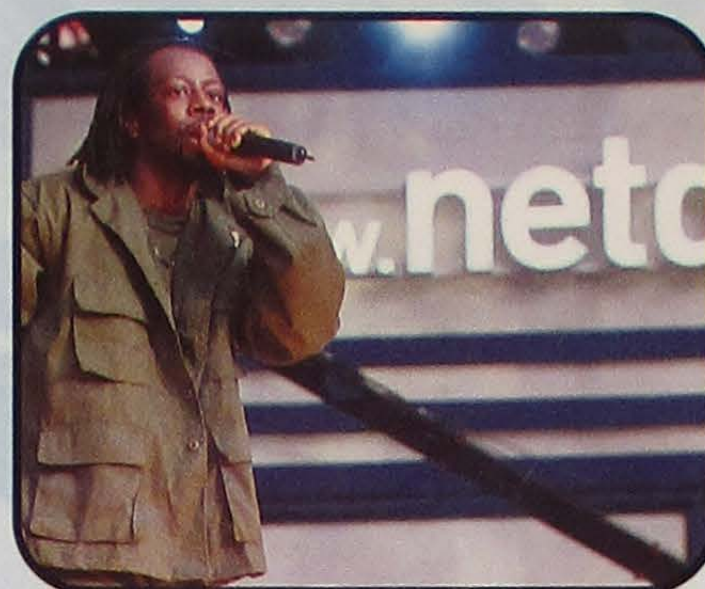
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Lou Bega's rhythmic "Mambo No. 5" hits the Top 40 in August after selling 2 million copies overseas and topping the chart in 15 countries.



"NetAid," a concert dedicated to relieve hunger and poverty, airs live in October on MTV, VH1, the BBC, as well as radio stations in 120 nations, making it the widest-heard musical performance in history.



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MP3, technology that compresses sound into a very small file, becomes a popular alternative to the CD. MP3 files are downloaded from the Internet onto computers or portable player units, making it possible to take a personal music selection anywhere.



Shania Twain becomes the first woman since 1986 to win the Country Music Association's Entertainer of the Year Award at the 33rd annual awards show.

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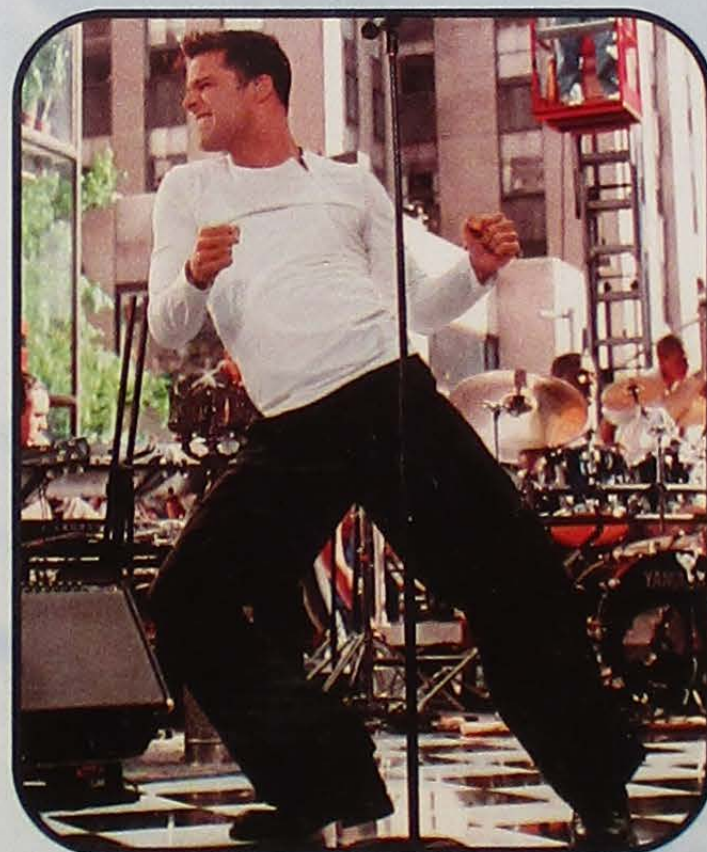


VH1's "Concert of the Century" spotlights the importance of music education in schools. The all-star show includes Lenny Kravitz, Sheryl Crow, Eric Clapton and B.B. King, as well as high-profile actors.

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After a successful New Year's Eve reunion performance, the Judds begin their first tour in almost 10 years in February 2000. Since they disbanded in 1991, Naomi has recovered from Hepatitis C.

Best New Artist Grammy nominee Christina Aguilera gives an exciting performance during the Super Bowl XXXIV halftime show.



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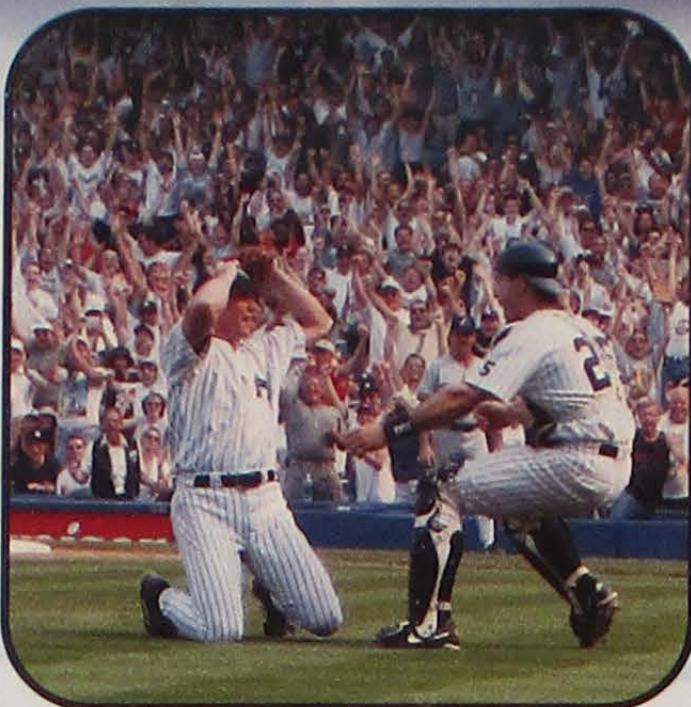
Ricky Martin takes the music industry by storm after his show-stopping performance at the 1999 Grammy Awards show. Martin's first chart-topping single, "Livin' la Vida Loca," helps him win the *Billboard* Music Award for Male Artist of the Year.



Fiona Apple releases her long-awaited second album to rave reviews in November and begins a tour in February 2000. The album features a 90-word title, which is commonly shortened to *When the Pawn*.

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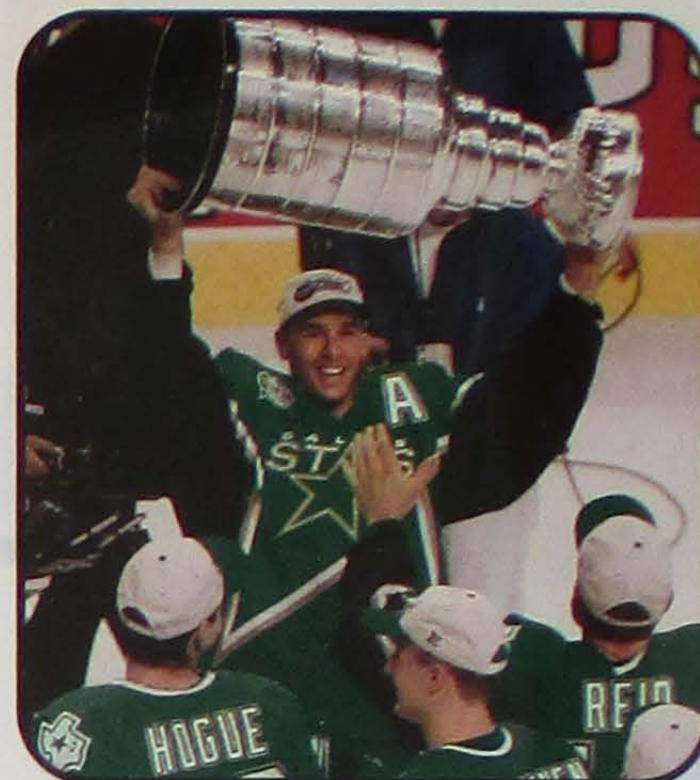
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David Cone of the New York Yankees pitches a perfect game against the Montreal Expos in July. Cone's feat is the 14th perfect game in modern baseball history.



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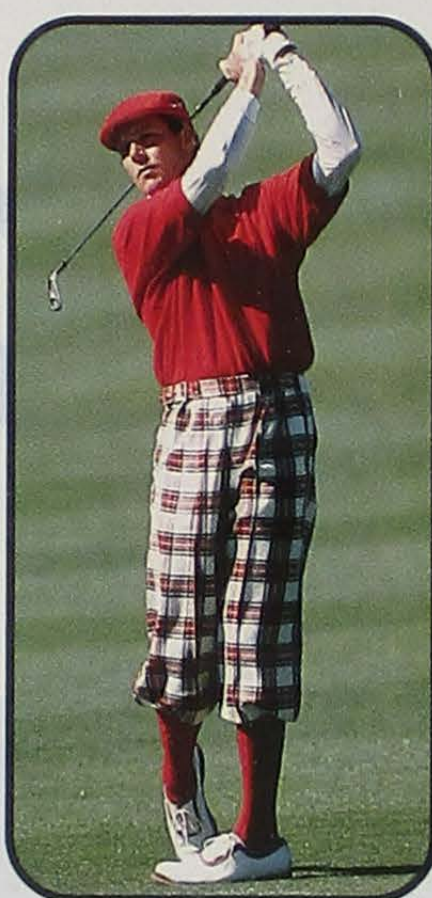
Lance Armstrong wins the 1999 Tour de France in July. Armstrong, who survived a three-year battle with testicular cancer, becomes the second American to win the event.



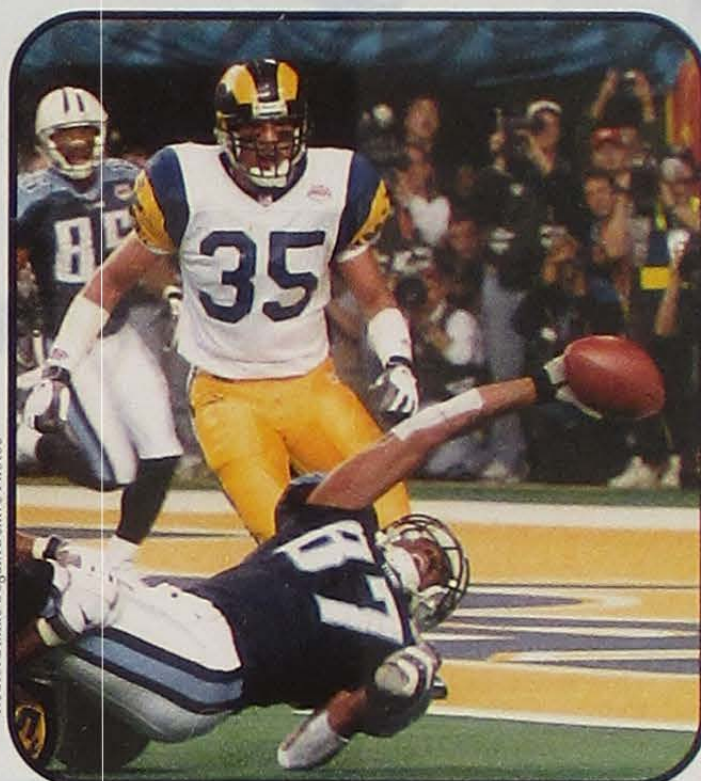
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The Dallas Stars beat the Buffalo Sabres 2-1 in triple overtime to win the 1999 Stanley Cup championship, four games to two.

Golf champion Payne Stewart is killed in a bizarre airplane accident in October. After the airplane's takeoff from Florida, an apparent loss of cabin pressure incapacitates everyone aboard. The aircraft flies on autopilot for four hours until it runs out of fuel and crashes in South Dakota.



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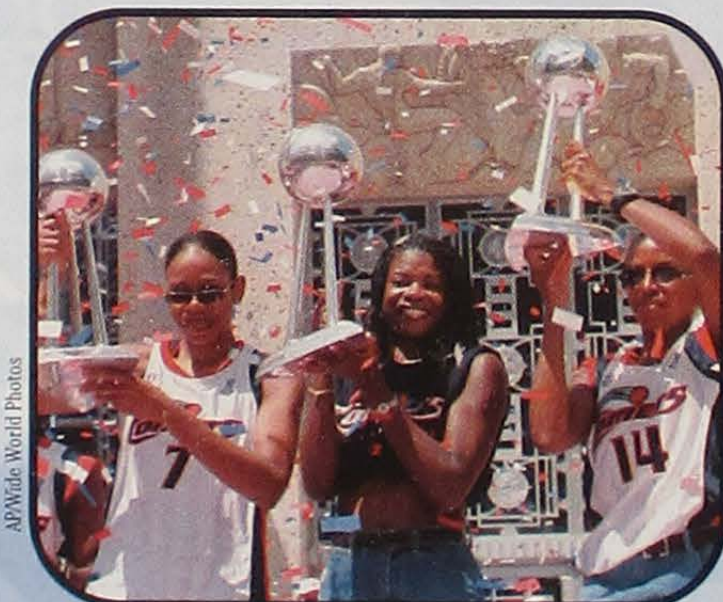
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The St. Louis Rams stop the Tennessee Titans at the 1-yard line on a final play to save their 23-16 Super Bowl XXXIV victory.



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In September, tennis phenom Serena Williams, 17, overpowers Martina Hingis to win the 1999 U.S. Open title.



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The Houston Comets earn their third straight WNBA championship in September, beating the New York Liberty 59-47 to win in three straight games.

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Both Detroit Lions running back Barry Sanders and German tennis star Steffi Graf announce their retirement in 1999.

On February 7, 2000, Tiger Woods wins his sixth consecutive PGA Tour event, tying Ben Hogan's 1948 winning record.



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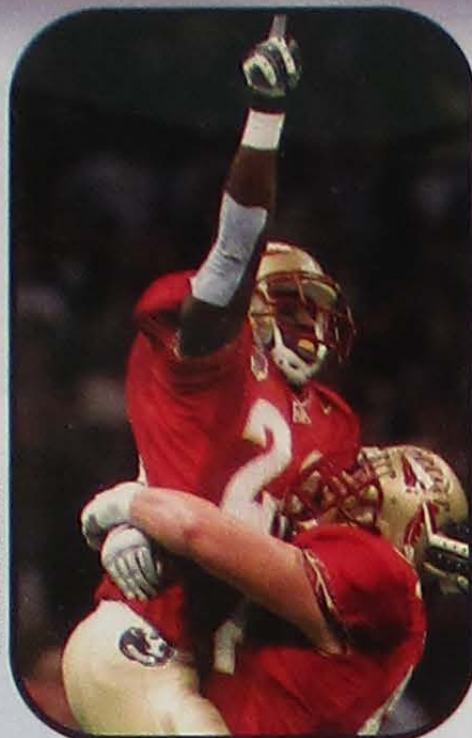
Dale Jarrett wins the 1999 NASCAR Winston Cup championship after a four-victory season.

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◆ In July, the U.S. women's soccer team wins the 1999 World Cup by beating China 5-4 in penalty kicks following a 0-0 tie. More than 90,000 fans attend at the Rose Bowl and another 40 million watch on television.



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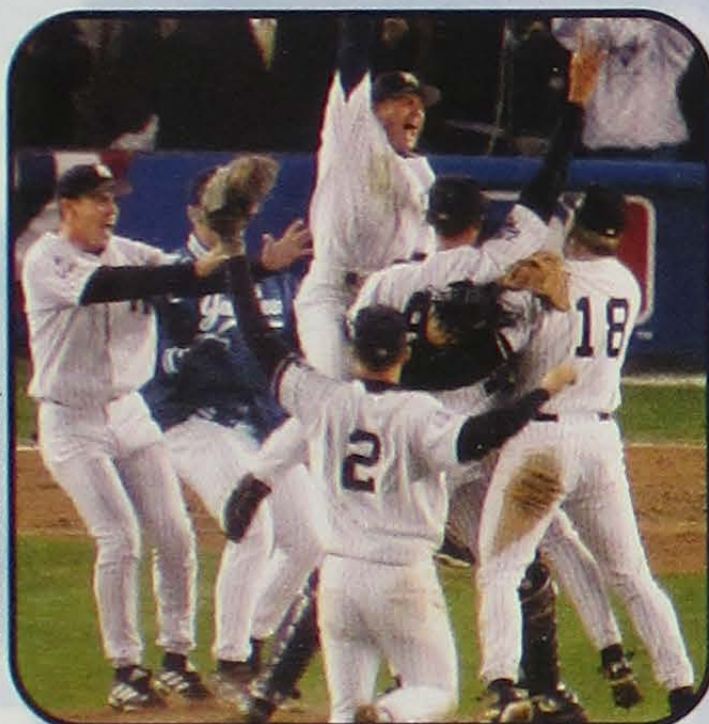
◆ Travis Pastrana, 15, wins the gold medal in the X Games' inaugural Moto X freestyle motocross event. The fifth year of this ESPN-sponsored competition is held in San Francisco in June and July.

◆ In the January 2000 Sugar Bowl, No. 1 Florida State beats No. 2 Virginia Tech 46-29 to capture the National Championship.

◆ Andre Agassi wins the French Open in June and becomes the fifth man ever to complete a career Grand Slam. Agassi goes on to win the U.S. Open in September.



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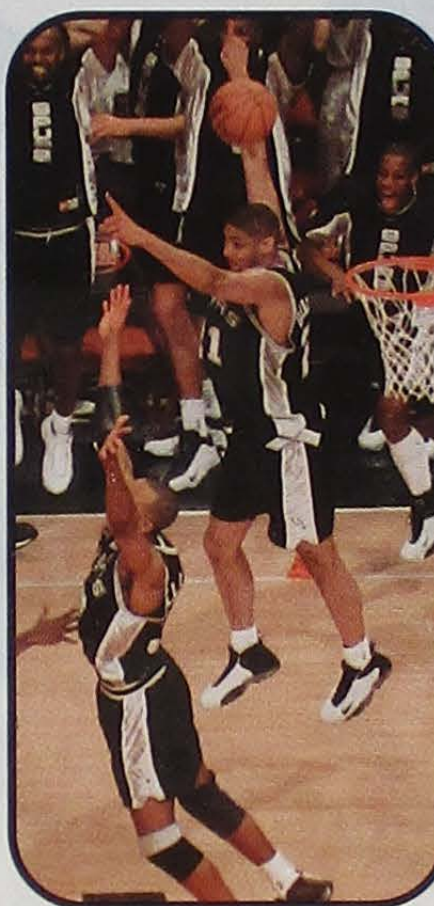


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◆ The New York Yankees win the 1999 World Series in a four-game sweep against the Atlanta Braves.



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◆ In June, the San Antonio Spurs win their first NBA championship by defeating the New York Knicks four games to one.



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◆ The U.S. team beats the European team to win golf's Ryder Cup at Brookline, Massachusetts, in September. The American's stirring comeback is marred by unruly galleries and a premature victory celebration.

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In July, many major league baseball umpires announce their resignation as a labor protest. The strategy backfires when owners accept the resignations and in September, 22 umpires lose their jobs.

In January 2000, Michael Jordan returns to pro basketball as part owner and President for Basketball Operations of the NBA's Washington Wizards.



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◆ Twenty-year professional hockey veteran Wayne Gretzky announces his retirement in April 1999 after setting or tying 61 records. Two months later, "The Great One" is inducted into the Hockey Hall of Fame.

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Millennium



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Clock Tower
Ottawa, Canada

Pyramids
Cairo, Egypt

Times Square
New York City,
New York



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As time zones welcome the new millennium on January 1, the world celebrates with grandeur, pageantry and spectacular fireworks. President Clinton gives a hopeful speech in the minutes before midnight at the Washington Monument, and 2 million people gather in Times Square to watch the specially built 1,000-pound Waterford crystal ball drop at midnight.



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The Eiffel Tower
Paris, France

Space Needle
Seattle, Washington



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The public and private sectors spend hundreds of millions of dollars to ward off the Y2K bug. The world lets out a sigh of relief after midnight strikes and no major computer malfunctions occur.

The FBI warns of possible terrorist acts on New Year's Eve and stays on national alert throughout the celebration. After the arrest of one man with bomb-making materials, Seattle decides to cancel its Space Needle celebration.



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Fearing the collapse of the world's banks, utilities and transportation systems, thousands of people stock up on food, water, money, ammunition and generators. After midnight, it soon becomes apparent that the preparations were unnecessary.



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A surprising number of people, appalled by the exorbitant costs of travel and events, decide to stay home on New Year's Eve. Many companies and performers drastically slash prices as a last-minute lure.

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